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Experiencing a Milestone Year, Students Could Only

STEP FORWARD, Look Back, & . . .

Hang On!

As yet another school year began, students found themselves enveloped in both new beginnings and unique endings. Just as school was starting, the end of a millenium was rapidly moving towards reality.

Each student and faculty member alike, found themselves carving out memories for themselves and precedents for their prosperity. They were stepping forward into Y2K, and they were also looking back - sometimes sadly, yet other times amusingly - at fifty years of their school's history.

The year 2000 was significant to this group just as it was to schools everywhere, but perhaps it was even more special to CHS. The student body felt a pang of uncertainty as they moved into the unchartered territory of the 21st Century; yet, they also felt a sense of pride as it was a time to celebrate their school's birthday. They were partying because it *was* the end of 1999, but they were also slowing down to blow out the candles and remember. Yes, one thousand years was a long time span for the world to recognize, but here in our little world known as CHS, fifty years was quite a milestone itself.

So, as each student and teacher realized the significance of such a year in time, they took on the challenge. They set new standards and acknowledged old traditions. And, as one millenium wound down and another one took off, they realized all they could do was step forward, look back, and HANG ON!

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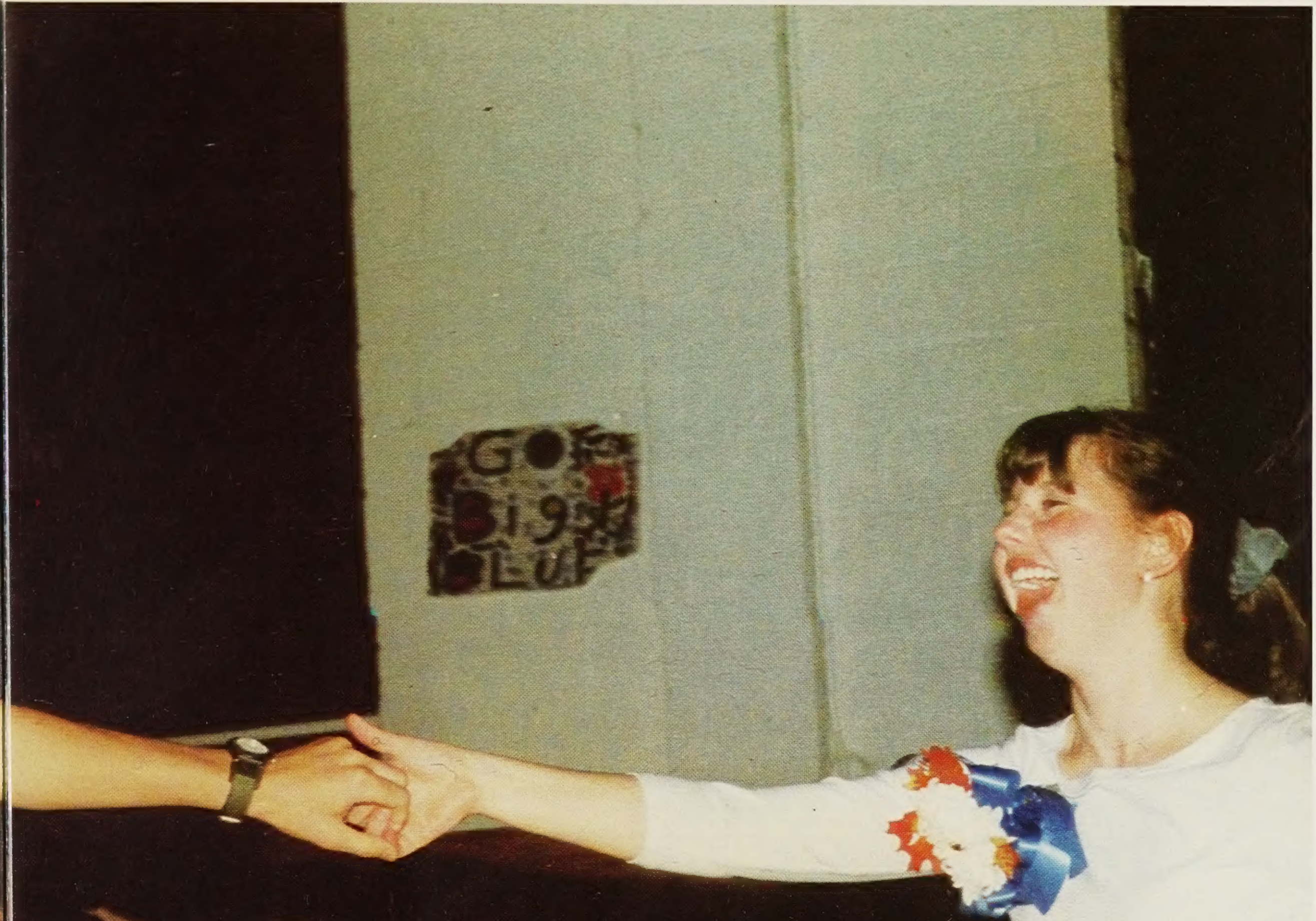
Don't let go! . . . Junior Matt Justice and Freshman Melissa Hensley dance during the Homecoming Dance. This traditional event started off the school year on the right foot as students celebrated the end of the last Homecoming of the 20th Century.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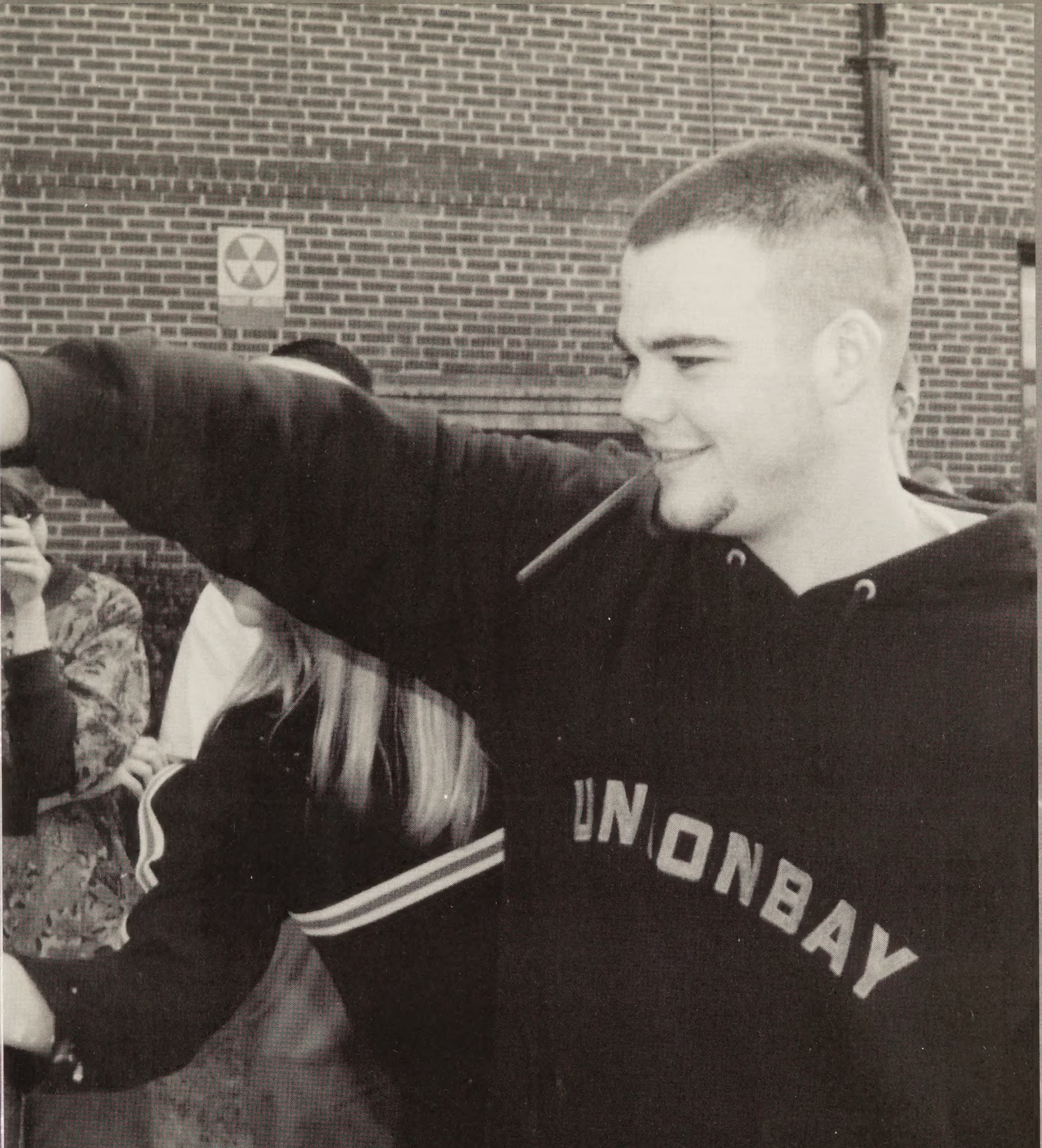
Student Life Events Gave Students the Chance to be Found . . .

Livin' it up

As students moved forward with their lives, it became obvious that certain everyday events that made up **Student Life** would not soon be forgotten. While everyone had his or her own personal favorites, no one could forget about certain momentous events; for example, the Ecology Club's adventurous voyage to **Yellowstone**. These advantageous club members braved the Rockies for some mountain fun. Perhaps a memorable event a little closer to home was the **Third Annual Signing Party** where students enjoyed the opportunity to leave solid impressions in their comrade's yearbooks. Following this, the usual tradition of **Homecoming Week Competitions** and **Homecoming Night Floats** quickly rolled around. **Fair Day** was the next milestone on the road. This ever-popular tradition proved to be a favorite once again. **Girls' Basketball Homecomings** was the next pebble in the student life path. This event brought out the school spirit in everyone. The next momentous night was the **Prom**. This was one of the year's highlights for juniors and Seniors. Yet another stepping stone to the end of the year was the **Pageant**. This event brought out competitive young ladies and their numerous supporters. The school **Musical** was the next mile marker on the road: it gave students the opportunity to prove their talent. One would think that these planned activities alone would be enough to keep everyone on a beaten path. However, even among all these student affairs, students created a place in their hectic schedule for a little **Fun Time, Game Time, and Play Time**! Student Life proved the fact that even the seemingly insignificant, everyday activities can prove to be **Milestones**.

►**We've got spirit, how 'bout YOU?!?** . . . Senior Tanner Dotson, along with other members of the Senior Class, participate wholeheartedly, and whole"handedly", during the Football Homecoming Pep Rally. Despite a late start, the annual spirited activity took place during the last half of seventh period, as students filed in dressed from head to toe in blue and white. Painted faces, devil tattoos, and spirit hands dotted the old gym, as each class competed heavily to win the coveted spirit stick.

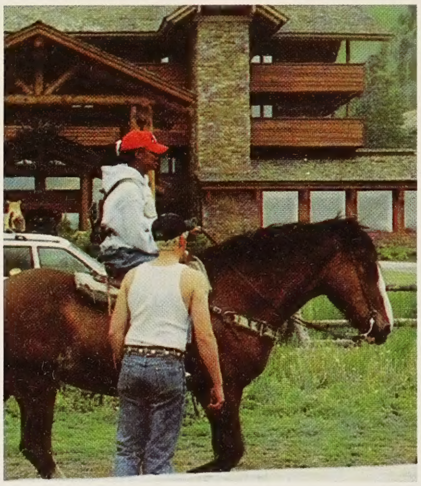


▲Payback time . . . Senior Cameron Hall is loving this once in a lifetime chance to pie Coach Roberson. The Yearbook Signing Party gave students a unique chance to cover either Coach Roberson or Coach Poole with whipped cream. At $1 from the line, or $2 for a direct hit, Cameron decided to shell out $10 for a whole can!

◀Crowning beauty . . . Senior Greta Jessee is crowned Homecoming Queen by Principal Roger Glovier. The other two Senior Homecoming Attendants were Amy Jones and Danielle Holbrook.

▶**Faithful fans** . . . Junior Heidi Bartee, Seniors Kim Salyers and Amy Bartee, and Juniors Amanda Taylor and Louise Gibson are eagerly waiting for Old Faithful to erupt. The group finally got to see the infamous geyser's eruption which took place every thirty minutes. Seeing the sights and hearing the sounds of Yellowstone was a most unforgettable experience for those who took part in such an amazing expedition.

▼**Hi Ho Silver!** . . . Junior Jessica Cain grabs the reins of her horse while her instructor gives her tips. Activities such as this gave the Ecology members a rest from hiking, and it also was enjoyable for first-timers.



OUTSpoken

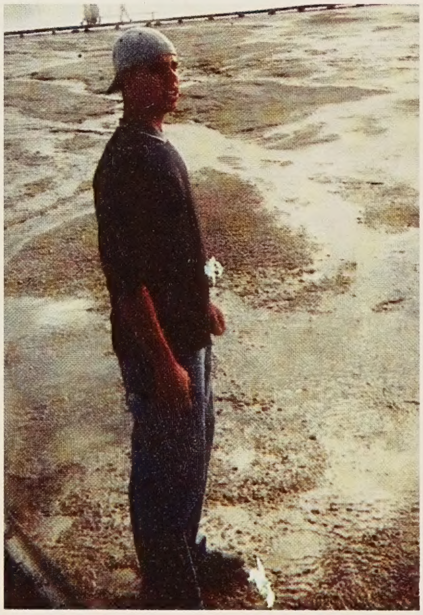
What were your feelings on the trip to Yellowstone?

"It was a once in a lifetime experience."

—Amy Bartee, Senior

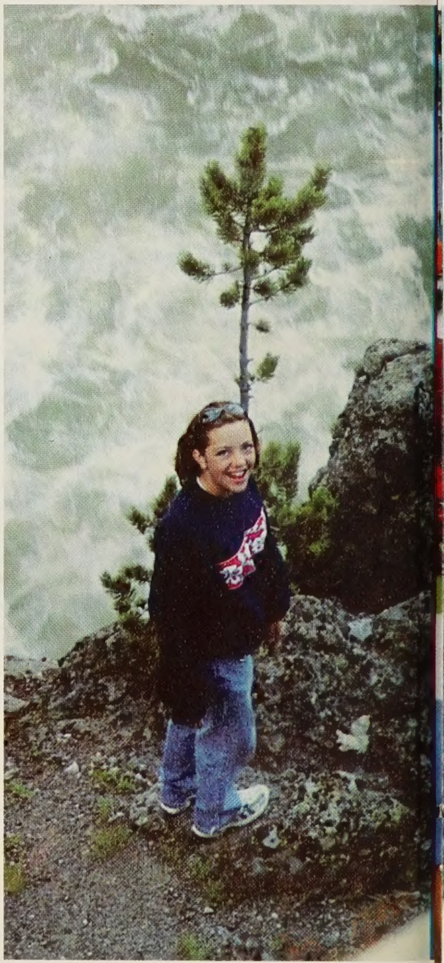
"It was a blast! It gave me a chance to get out of town and spend the summer with my friends."

— Louise Gibson Junior



▲**Into the wild blue yonder** . . . Senior Tanner Dotson is fascinated by this hot spring which is known as The Midway Geyser Basin. This was a interesting "hot" spot for the tourists to visit.

▶**It doesn't get any better than this** . . . Junior Danielle Sargent takes a break from sightseeing to pose for the camera while at the Grand Canyon of Yellowstone National Park. This was just at the entrance of the park. The group was even more amazed as they traveled further into Yellowstone.



The Great Outdoors

The Ecology Club Traveled Out West to Yellowstone and Enjoyed the Wonders of Nature

Thirteen students from the Ecology Club journeyed with Mrs. Hackney and Mrs. Miotke to Yellowstone National Park to see the wonderful outdoors of Wyoming. For seven days they enjoyed the fresh air and atmosphere of nature at Yellowstone, and they met new and exciting people. As junior Danielle Sargent said, *"The trip was excellent even though I didn't meet a real bull rider!"*

Horseback riding was a definite favorite of the majority of the group. As Junior Jessica Cain stated, *"Yellowstone was great! It was a once in a lifetime thing. I also got to ride my first horse!"* One entire day was spent riding through the mountains, as the group took in the beautiful scenery.

Whether admiring the beauty of the park atop a horse, or simply walking on their own two feet, the Ecology Club learned a lot about nature and all of its beauties.

Fossil Fact

The Ecology Club was started in 1995 by Mrs. Hackney.

▲Say "Cheese" . . . The Ecology Club takes a minute from their sightseeing and shopping to pose for a picture in front of an unusual sign made of deer antlers in the town square at Jackson Hole, Wyoming. One of the most popular stores found there, according to the students, was the "Mangy Moose." This store supplied some of the coolest t-shirts.

T. Nash, Layout; T. Nash, Copy; J. Hackney & J. Cain, Photography

►Way to go! . . . Senior Josh Riddle congratulates Mr. Allen Wells at the Third Annual Yearbook Signing Party for the honor of having the yearbook dedicated to him. This was Mr. Wells's thirty-second year of teaching, so this honor was well-deserved.

▼What should I write? . . . Senior Brandi Booker thinks about what she should write in Robert Frazier's yearbook. Brandi was a member of the 1999 Yearbook Staff, so she took a great deal of pride in signing each and every book.

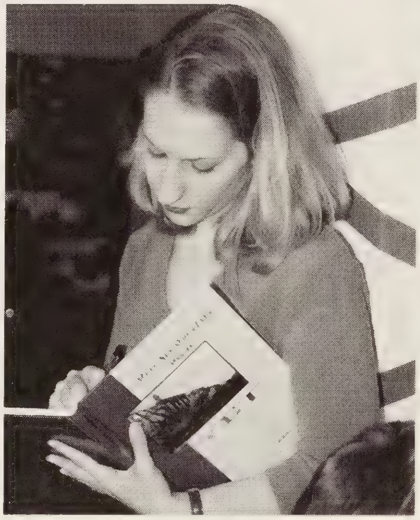
Time Out! Take a Quiz

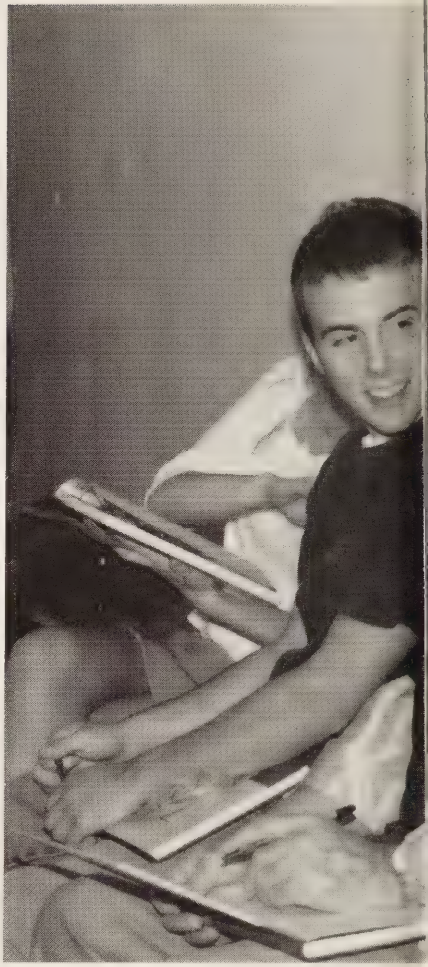
1. How much did a grab bag of pictures cost at the party?

A. $1.00
B. $ .50
C. $5.00
D. $2.00

2. What was the mark found on the bottom of a winning cup at the party?

A. a smiley face
B. a star
C. an X
D. a Blue Devil

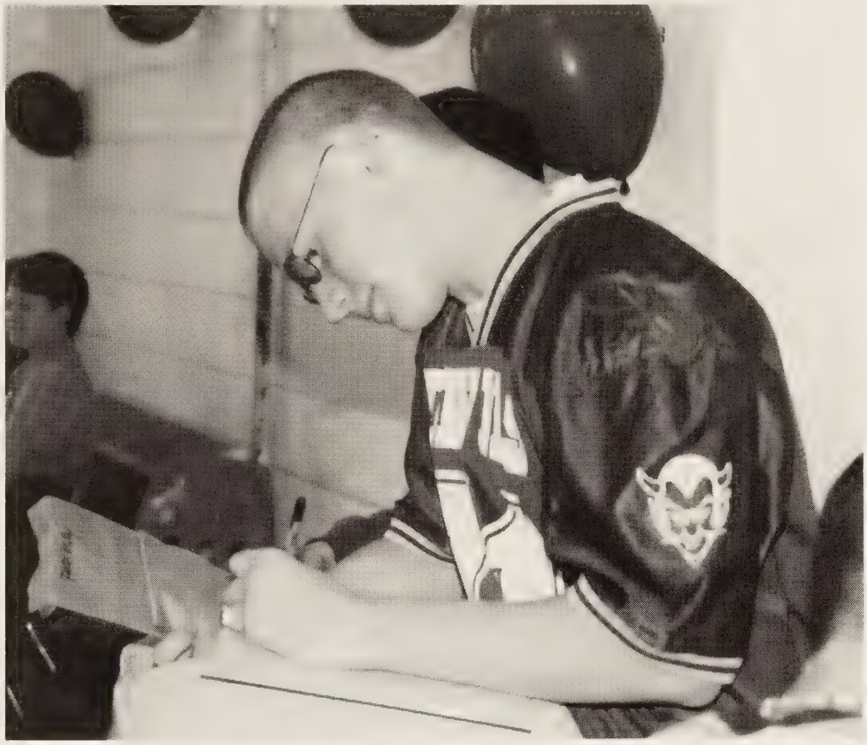




▲Remember when . . . Sophomore Rhonda Robinson looks in the yearbook at the signing party to reminisce about Football Homecoming the year before. The Student Life Section covered such traditional events as well as everyday occurrences such as "Locker Loot."

►Just sign it! . . . Freshman Jessica Younce contemplates what to write in graduate Josh Trent's yearbook. Fifty-six graduates bought yearbooks and were sent invitations to the party.

▼Dear friend . . . Junior Ryan McDaniel writes a brief message to his friend near the back of the old cafeteria at the yearbook signing party. Other students also took time to let their friends know how they felt about them while they signed their yearbooks. They could be found signing at tables, in the floor, and sometimes on the go!



Sign Of the Times

Students Mingled and Found Ways to Autograph Friends' Yearbooks at 3rd Annual Signing Party

"*Would you sign my yearbook?*" This was the most popularly asked question at the Third Annual Yearbook Signing Party. Students spent most of their time listening to music, eating food, and signing each other's yearbooks. As Senior David Crabtree explained, *"It was pretty cool getting together and socializing with people and getting people to sign my yearbook."* Over two hundred people also enjoyed seeing the 1999 graduates. This gave them the perfect opportunity to reflect on the past.

As students mingled, they found their own ways of signing. Some students just gave a brief autograph as one would expect a movie star to do, while others took their time to write personal messages. Either way, those who purchased yearbooks enjoyed sharing time with their friends and left lasting impressions in their yearbooks.

Fossil Fact On May 18, 1973 the Seniors had their first signing party.

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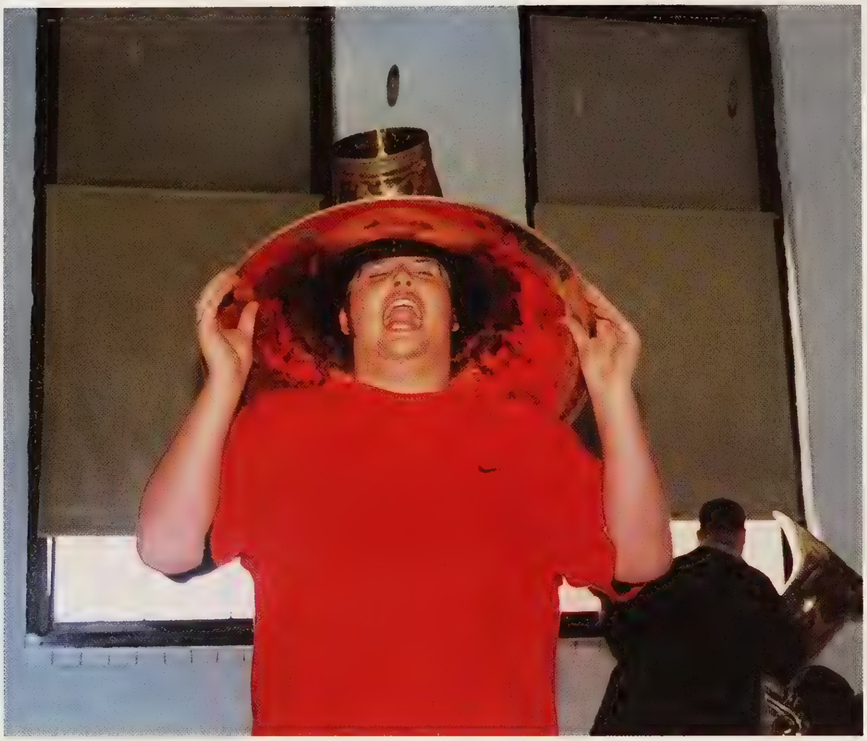
▼I knew there was more than one use for this . . . Sophomore Nick Stidham finds an imaginative way to wear his tuba on Hat Day during Football Homecoming Week.

Students expressed their wild imaginations by wearing crazy hats all day. They could be seen donning everything from a beekeeper's hat to a hat inspired by Dr. Suess.



Seeing RED

Students Came Out Fighting as They Participated in a Variety of Football Homecoming Competitions

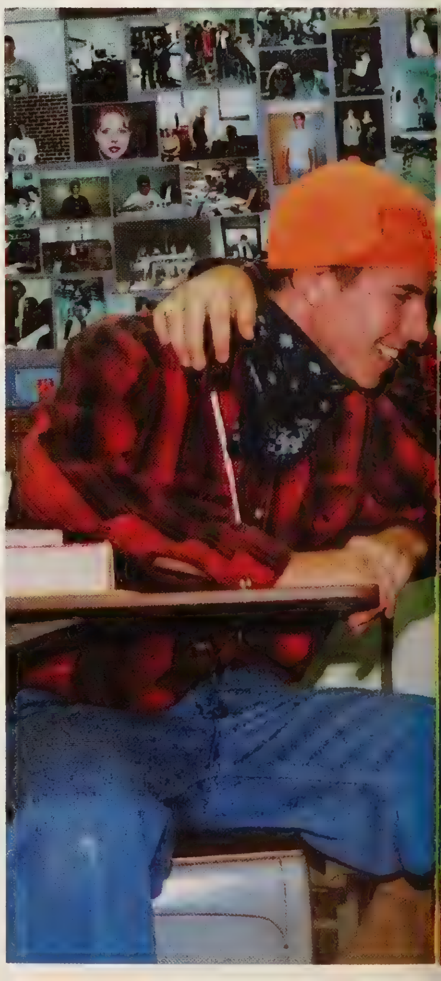
Where was the place to be during Homecoming Week? Running through the halls full of school spirit, of course. It was a week of blue and white. It was also a week in which students saw red as they jumped into competition - fighting for the title of Spirit King and Queen.

All week competitions were being held. Students decorated their home rooms in hopes of winning the doughnuts and orange juice; and, after school was over, students went to work on their floats.

The First Annual Night Pep Rally on the football field was no stranger to competition either. Students literally bonded together to participate in the 3-legged race, and the wheelbarrow race saw participants tumbling to the ground head first. As Freshman Candace Justice remarked, *"The best thing was getting to eat dirt during the wheelbarrow race!"*

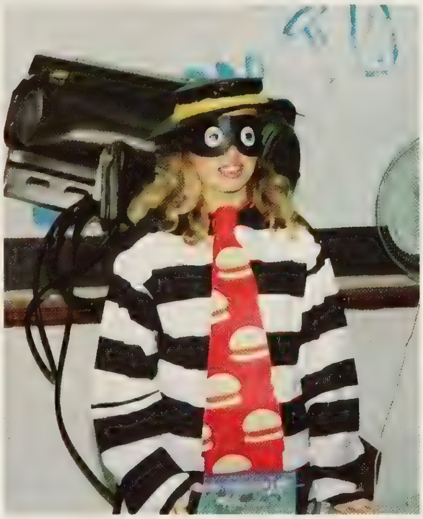
Fossil Fact

In 1991, the sophomores placed 3rd with their float: "Blue Rises Over Red."



◀A cowboy's life is so hard . . . Junior Kelly Paul King decides to try to sneak in a nap in Miss Proffitt's 4th period Spanish II class, but manages to keep on his cowboy hat during Hat Day. This was one day during the year that students could get away with wearing hats in the building - it did not, however, excuse them from staying awake!

▼Give me all of your burgers! . . . Senior Courtney Jessee looks around mischieviously while wearing her Hamburglar costume on Costume Day. For the first time in years, the Halloween Dress-Up Contest was eliminated, so Homecoming Week welcomed the edition of Costume Day.

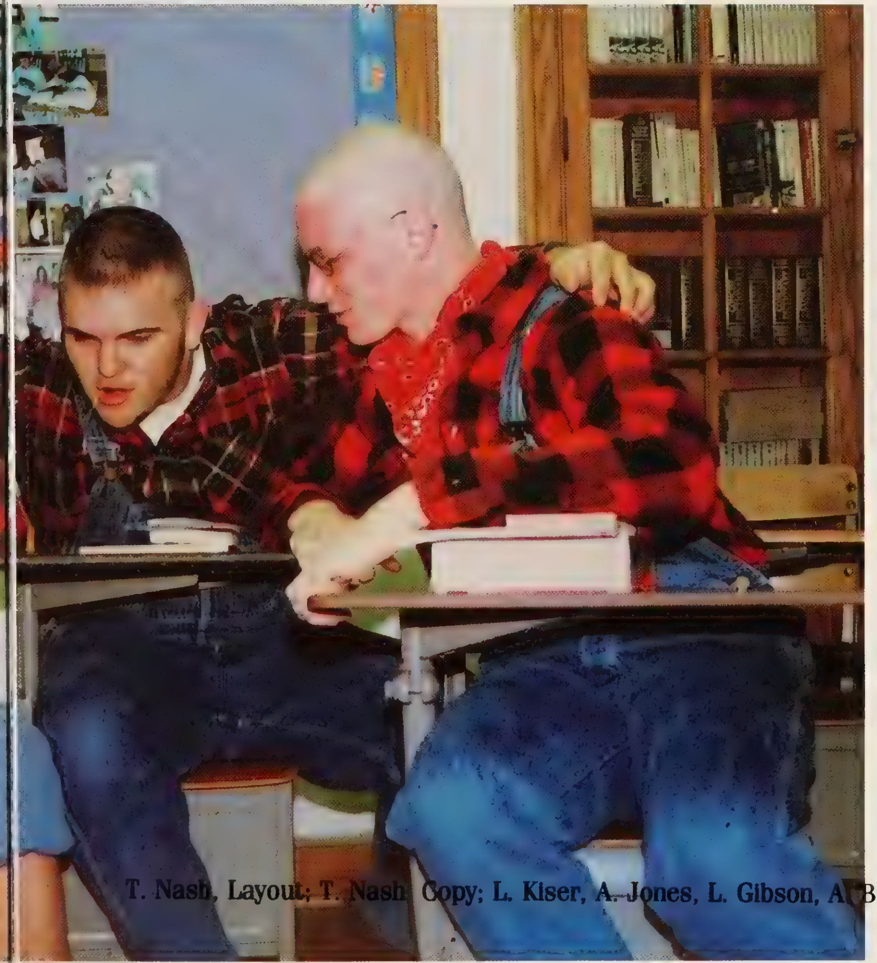


"School spirit is great because everyone gets to show their true self! More people need to have school spirit, though."

— McKinsey Huff, Senior

"I think school spirit is important because it makes school less boring. I am the KING!"

— Chase King, Junior



▲Go Big Blue! . . . Eighth Grader Brandon Talford gets his face painted by classmate Amy Branson in Coach Roberson's class before the pep rally. Students showed their spirit by wearing their blue and white the entire day - even on their faces.

◀Let me tell you a joke . . . Junior Eric Ervin is the center of attention in Mrs. Sabo's room, as Juniors Matt Justice and Ryan McDaniel join in on the fun during Hillbilly Day. On this day students were found wandering around the halls in overalls, flannel shirts, and straw hats.

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Reviving Old Traditions

Making Football Homecoming Floats Once Again Became a Welcomed Team Effort

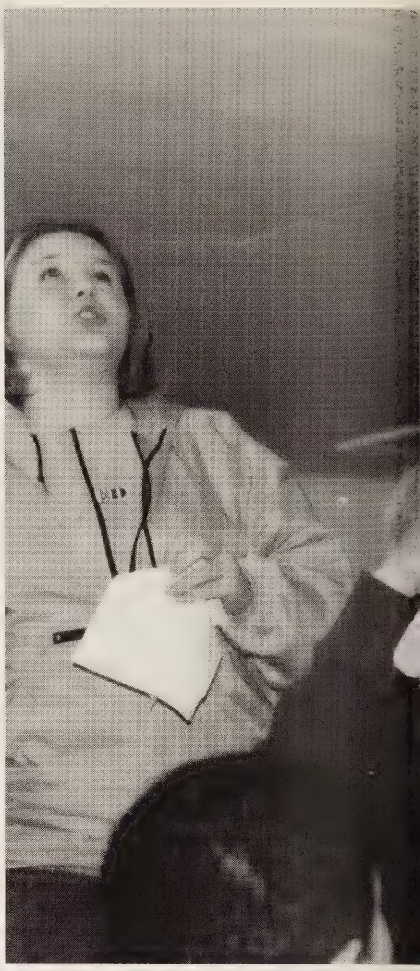
"Are we ever going to finish?" The grand old tradition of decorating wagons to be judged during the big game on Friday had been revived, and students met together and combined efforts to ensure that their class's float was a winner.

Schedules were made and meeting places were arranged as the exciting week of Homecoming came upon them. Students could be seen rushing after school only to work hours on end with yards of chicken wire and heaps of trash bags and tissue paper.

Despite the paint-smeared faces and cramped fingers, those who worked hard felt a great deal of pride as their floats were finally finished. With a budget of only $75, even the winners had to give credit to everyone who participated; and, as Junior Danielle Sargent admitted, *"It was a surprise to win because the other floats looked just as good!"*

Fossil Fact

In 1961, Beta won the float competition with "A Green Dragon Hunt."

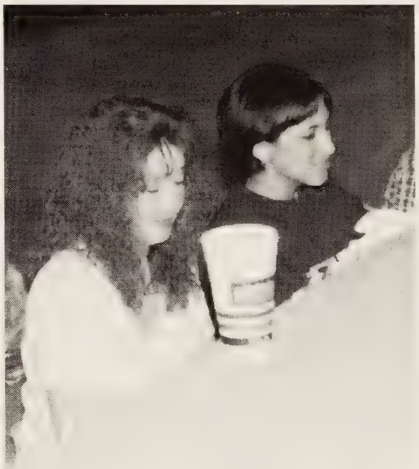


▲Wrapping up . . . Freshmen Stevi Willis, Jessica Hileman, and Emily Puckett fold a tarp after working on their float in the old agricultural building.

This meeting place was a tradition for the freshman class. Other classes had the difficult task of finding places to work on their floats off school property.

◀All tied up . . . Eighth Graders Anna Bolling, Nathan Carpenter, Katherine Tarr, Amy Branson, Brittany Ring, Kristy Puckett, and Jonathan Meade work endlessly to tie the napkins into place on their homecoming float. The eighth grade class enjoyed working on their float at the home of their Class President Jonathan Meade's grandparents - Clifton and Martha Howard.

▼Get glad . . . Junior Sponsor Mrs. Hackney and Junior Louise Gibson tie in trash bags on their float at the Russell County Fairgrounds. With the sponsors' help, the junior class worked together and won the float competition.



▲If we wanted your opinion, we'd ask . . . Sophomores Alishia Cox and Kayla Buckles are doing just fine working on their float, thank you, as they tie the ever-famous trash bags at the home of Mikey Hale.

◀Filling in . . . Senior Justin Worley sits on the job as he attaches trash bags to the Senior's homecoming float in the fair building. The Seniors shared their working space with the junior class.

And the survey says. . .

What would you choose to decorate for Homecoming besides a wagon?

A Golf Cart, 60%

A Toy Wagon, 24%

Something Small Like a Tissue Box, 16%

**50 students surveyed*

S. Lambert, Layout; S. Lambert, Copy; J. Cain, Photography

►Watching and waiting . . . Junior Travis Jessee, Senior Doug Jessee, and Junior David Dunford lean against a horse trailer at the Russell County Fair and Horse Show as they watch to see who will win. Many students sat around on the grass and the old benches to watch all of the competitions going on in center ring.

▼Time for a tune-up . . . Sophomore Duran Dutton tunes up his banjo trying to get it ready for the Bluegrass Contest. He obviously tuned it up well, as Duran went on to win the Three Finger Banjo Contest and a prize of $50.00.

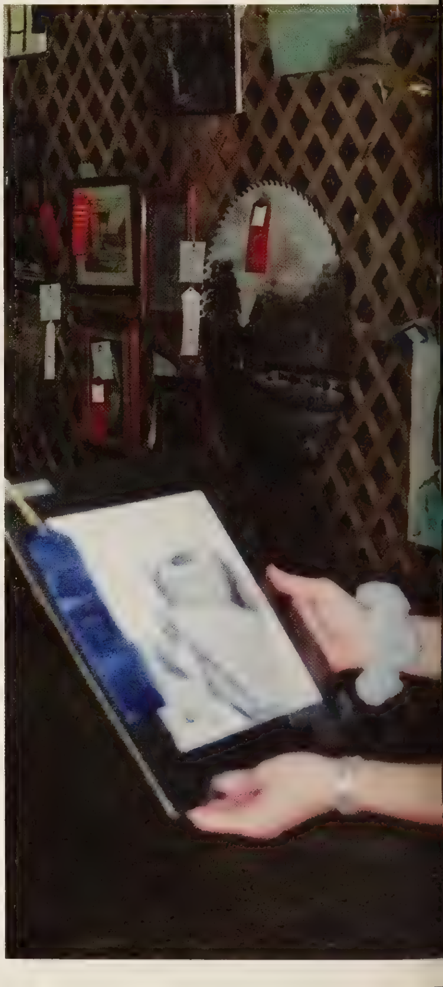
OUTSpoken

How did it feel to be a Fair Day winner?

"I was very surprised that I won a ribbon at the fair."
— Caleb Cook, Senior

▲Fourwheelin' anyone? . . . Senior Josh Bradley stares off at the ATV Rodeo, waiting to compete in the obstacle course. Students entered their fast four-wheelers to duel it out with other racers in the events.

►Look what I won! . . . Senior Amy Jones shows off the picture she drew in art that won first place in the Art Fair. Amy won the Still Life Category and a prize of $3.00.



Kicked Back

Some Students Watched While Others Competed in Fair Day Events

I won! I won! These words could be heard coming from the various exhibit buildings at the Russell County Fair as students packed in waiting to see if they had won a prize in the art competition.

All of the stained hands and clothing, which were a result of art students literally throwing themselves into their work, was worth it as admitted by Senior Amy Jones who said, *"I was very excited that my drawing of paper towels won first place, because everyone thought it was toilet paper!"*

Besides the competitions in the art building, there were competitions taking place all over. *"Even though I got scratched up chasing the pig, I still had a great time!,"* exclaimed Freshman Cody Cress who participated in the greased pig race.

Fossil Fact In 1958, students could ride buses to Fair Day.

No matter what the challenge was, students participated in a variety of contests at the Russell County Fair, and some even came out winners!

▲**And the winner is** . . . Seniors Courtney Jessee and Greta Jessee give the judges their favorite poses at the Miss Russell County Fair Pageant on Saturday night. Students represented the school well as Courtney was crowned Miss Russell County Fair, and Greta won the title of First Runner-Up.

J. Worley, Layout; J. Worley, Copy; A. Addington, Photography

Time Out! Take a Quiz

1. Where did the attendants get their tuxedos?

   A. Moon Tuxedo
   B. Goody's
   C. Black Tie Formal Wear
   D. Mr. Tuxedo

2. Who was the Junior Attendant?

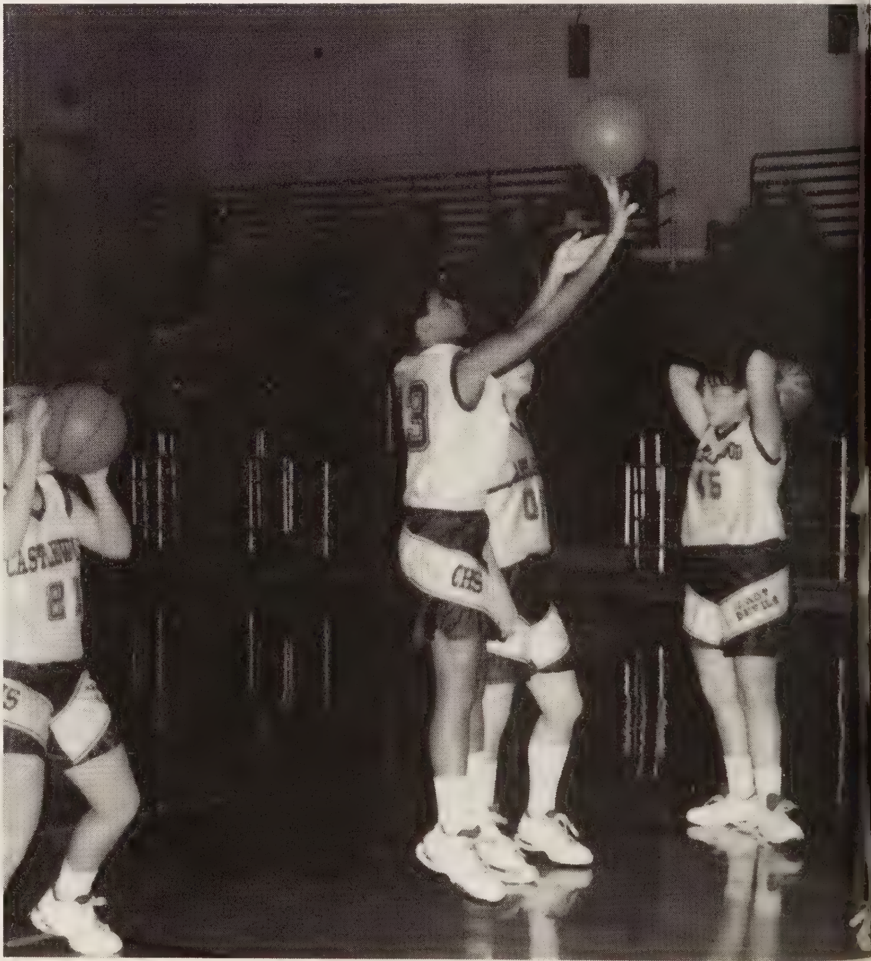
   A. Derick Phillips
   B. Michael Cozzolino
   C. Jes Stacy
   D. Chase King

►**Come back here** . . . Sophomore Jessica Clevinger guards the Titan point guard, Whitney Nash, from driving to the hole, while Senior McKinsey Huff and Freshman Alicia King help during the Homecoming Basketball Game. This defense allowed Nash to score only five points.

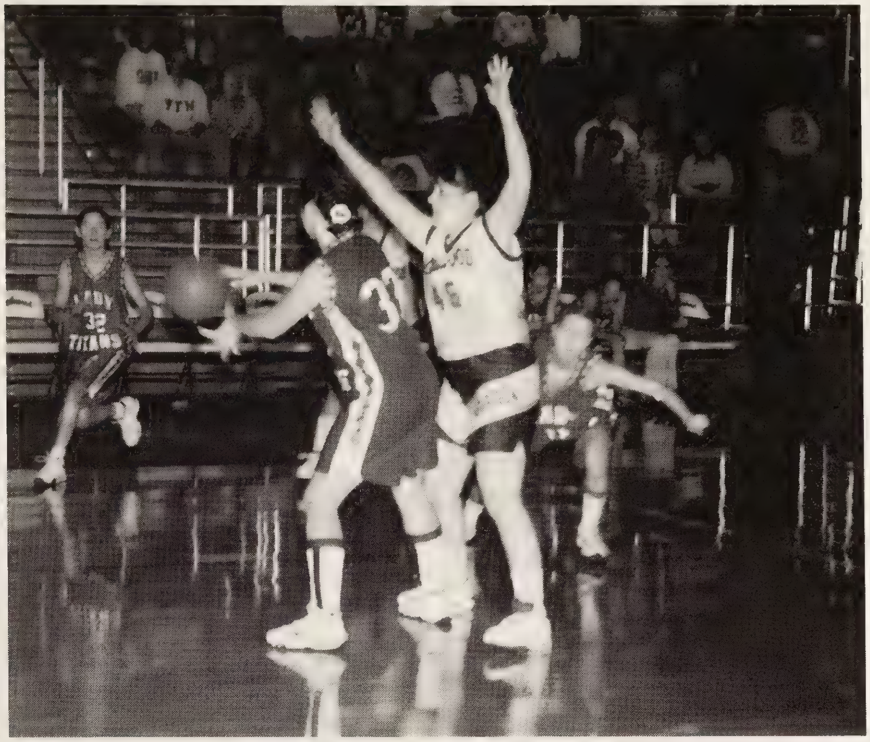
▼**Money in the bank** . . . Freshman Alicia King sets up for a shot, as a Twin Springs member races to try to block her at Girls' Basketball Homecoming. Despite this tough Titan defense, Alicia managed to score four points.

▲**Look what I won!** . . . Senior Cameron Hall smiles proudly while he shakes Mr. Glovier's hand after receiving the honor of Homecoming King, while Seniors Ashley Addington and McKinsey Huff watch the event. Including the traditional royal sash, Cameron also won $25.

►**Let's get ready to rumble!** . . . Freshman Alicia King, Juniors Jessica Cain and Traci Long, Senior Chasity Chafin, and Sophomore Kayla Buckles warm up before the Homecoming Game. Proper preparation was essential in winning the ball game with a score of 53 to 43.



▼"D" Up! . . . Senior Chasity Chafin, number 45, confidently guards number 33, a Twin Springs team member, and forces her to pass the ball to point guard Whitney Nash, number 32. Defense held strong against the opponents, and the team was able to crush their offensive game as they allowed only two Titan points in the third quarter.



At Their Fingertips

Those Who Participated in Girls' Basketball Homecoming Overcame Nervousness and Came Out Winners

Anxiety swept over the team, the nervous attendants, and the escorts during Girls' Basketball Homecoming. The crowd had come to see, in addition to the game itself, who would achieve the royal honor of being crowned Homecoming King. Attendants also anticipated the half-time show, and as Junior Matt Justice put it, *"I was anxious to wear the nice tuxedos I received and be the center of attention!"*

As the Homecoming Court walked out, sweaty palms and fast heartbeats were not far behind; and, as Junior Louise Gibson said, *"I was nervous about walking out in front of everybody and tripping and falling!"*

Of course nobody could forget about the close game including Sophomore Alishia Cox who recalled, *"The game was very exciting because we won!"*

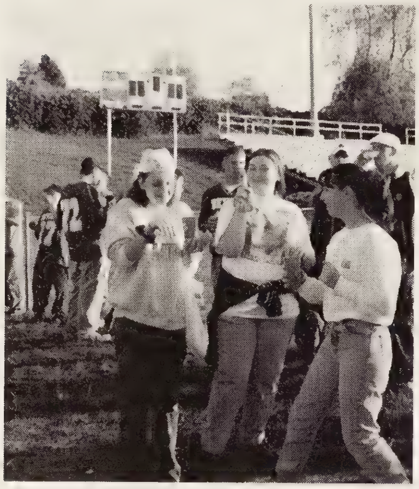
Fossil Fact **Before 1961, Girls' Basketball was played half-court.**

A win and a new Homecoming King both resulted in a spectacular Girls' Basketball Homecoming.

J. Worley, Layout; J. Worley, Copy; O. Mills, Photography

►**Just a little off the top** . . . Junior Chase King thoroughly enjoys shaving the head of Senior teammate Cameron Hall outside the fieldhouse before the big game against St. Paul. Many football teammates shaved their heads to show team unity. Showing team spirit was often seen during football season, and it was clearly warranted with a 28-12 victory over St. Paul.

▼**Is this fun or what?** . . . Freshmen Trista Hicks, Bobbi Jo Jessee, and Melissa Hensley chat while stuffing their faces at the Evening Homecoming Pep Rally. The pizza and drinks were provided by Pizza Town and the SCA.



OUTSpoken

When are you the happiest?

"I'm the happiest when I'm with my friends."

—Amy Branson, Eighth Grader

"My happiest time is when I'm actually learning something in the classroom."

—Candace Justice, Freshman

▲**Giddy-up** . . . Seniors Jessica Hogg and McKinsey Huff practice for the piggy-back race at the Evening Homecoming Football Pep Rally. The winners of the all girls piggy-back race were Ashley Addington and Courtney Jessee.

►**What a rush!** . . . Sophomores Courtney King and Alishia Cox have an accident during the three-legged race at the Evening Pep Rally for the Homecoming Football Game against Pound. The three-legged race was just one of the games played at the First Annual Evening Pep Rally along with wheelbarrow racing and football tossing.

Happy Times

Students Made the Most of School Events

H*appiness.* This term usually didn't come to mind when talking about school; however, certain events caused this word to crop up in students' vocabulary.

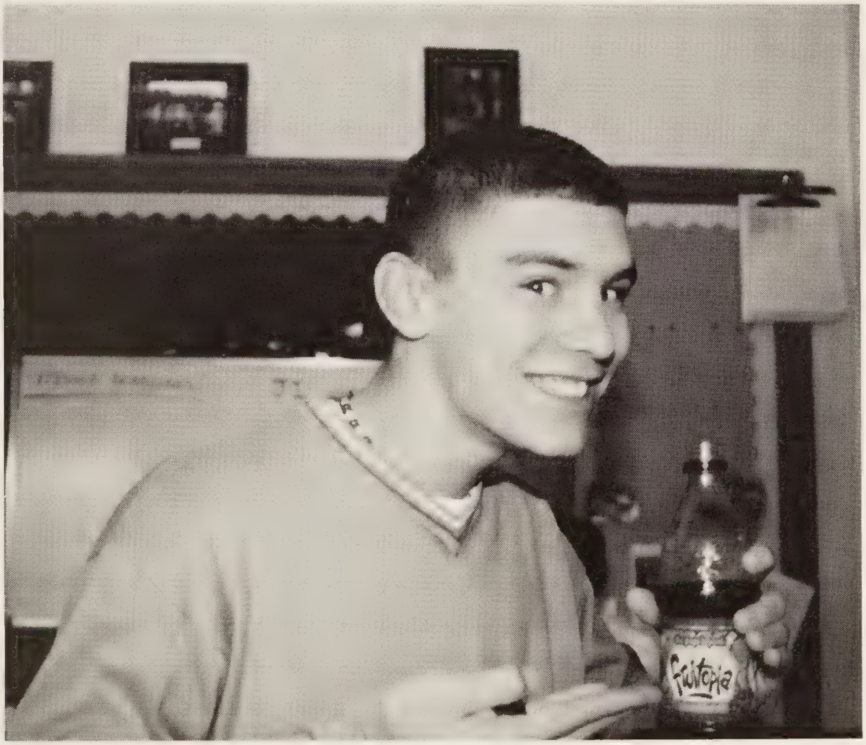
While students had an arrayment of activities that had the potential to create "happy times," some felt as if the day to day life with friends was enough to keep them smiling. As Junior Cody Ervin said, *"My happiest time is when I'm with my best friends."*

Some students were a little more sentimental in remembering their happy times. Sophomore Jennifer Puckett reminisced about her happy times in her 2nd period biology class. *"My happiest time is being able to spend the last year with Coach Wells."*

Whether it was at a game or in class, students learned to live it up and enjoy the "Happy Times" they shared with others.

Fossil Fact

In the late 60's, Senior dress-up days created a little happy time.



▲Got Fruitopia? . . . Senior Shane Lambert smiles during journalism class and takes a refreshing drink. Taking a break in journalism class was often needed because of all the time-consuming work. The Fruitopia machine was added in 1998 in front of the old gymnasium, and students greatly took advantage of it.

C. Jessee, Layout; S. Glovier, Copy; A. Addington, A. Buckles, J. Hogg, & A. Jones, Photography

Time Out! Take a Quiz

1. When asked, "What is the most fun event to attend at school?" how did Kayla Keith reply?

A. pep rallies
B. club meetings
C. dances
D. class meetings

2. When asked, "What is the most fun club you've participated in?" how did Jessica Amburgey respond?

A. SODA
B. Spanish
C. FBLA
D. SADD

►**Free for a day** . . . Sophomore Shannon Johnson and Eighth Grader Kesha Kiser enjoy a fun-filled day at the fair. Students enjoyed games, foods, and carnival rides during the week of the fair and took the day off to socialize on Fair Day as each student in the county was excused for half a day to enjoy the festivities.

▼Can you see us? . . . Sophomores Kayla Buckles and Jessica Clevinger laugh out loud as they enjoy the company of Junior Anthony Beavers in Ms. Sabo's fifth period English 10 class during Camouflage Day of Homecoming Week. Dress-up days were always fun for students as they marveled at one another's creative costumes.

▲**Party hearty** . . . Junior Jessica Amburgey enjoys a slice of pizza as she shows off her cowgirl style at a lunch hosted by New People's Bank before a football game. The coaches, cheerleaders, and the Football Team enjoyed themselves and tried to squeeze in a little fun before the big Homecoming Game against Pound.

►**Loser** . . . Seniors Greta Jessee, Ashley Vanover, Jessica Hogg and Amy Jones show Freshmen Stevi Willis and Krista Honaker what it's like to have fun and *not* always be so serious. The First Annual Evening Pep Rally provided the perfect opportunity for students to kick back and have fun.

▼ Scream Senior victory . . . Seniors Justin Worley, Shane Lambert, Lijah Robinson, and Drew Meade show their enthusiasm during the Homecoming Pep Rally in the old gym. Seniors enjoyed making signs, chanting along with the cheereleaders, and coming up with their own cheers to back the team before big games.

Fun Time

Students Knew How to Make the Most of Free Time

When did you have the most fun? Different people had fun doing different things, but at school one had to often make his or her own fun.

Senior Shane Lambert knew exactly how to take advantage of his free time as he stated, *"I have the most fun when I get some free time in class to goof off."* Shane knew how to relish any free time as he dealt with six classes, including the ever chaotic journalism class.

Those lucky enough to be able to take phys. ed. often looked upon this class to be the most fun. Eighth Grader Heather Hicks stated, *"I really have fun when I am playing during P.E."*

Finding a way to have fun at school was a must for most students to get their minds off the seemingly never-ending day of classwork; thus, students turned any spare time into fun time.

Fossil Fact In 1988, the Sophomore class held a slave auction for fun and money.

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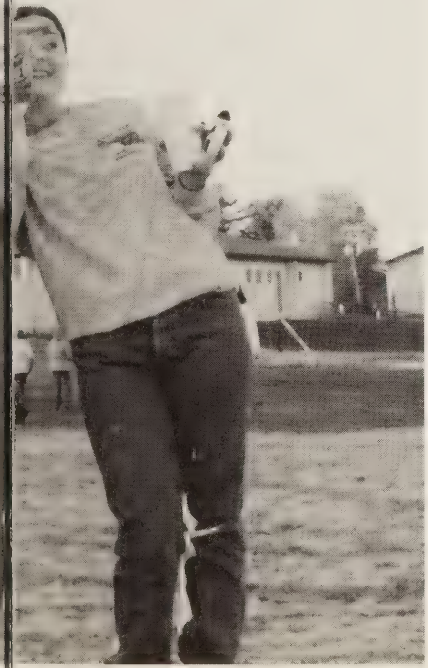
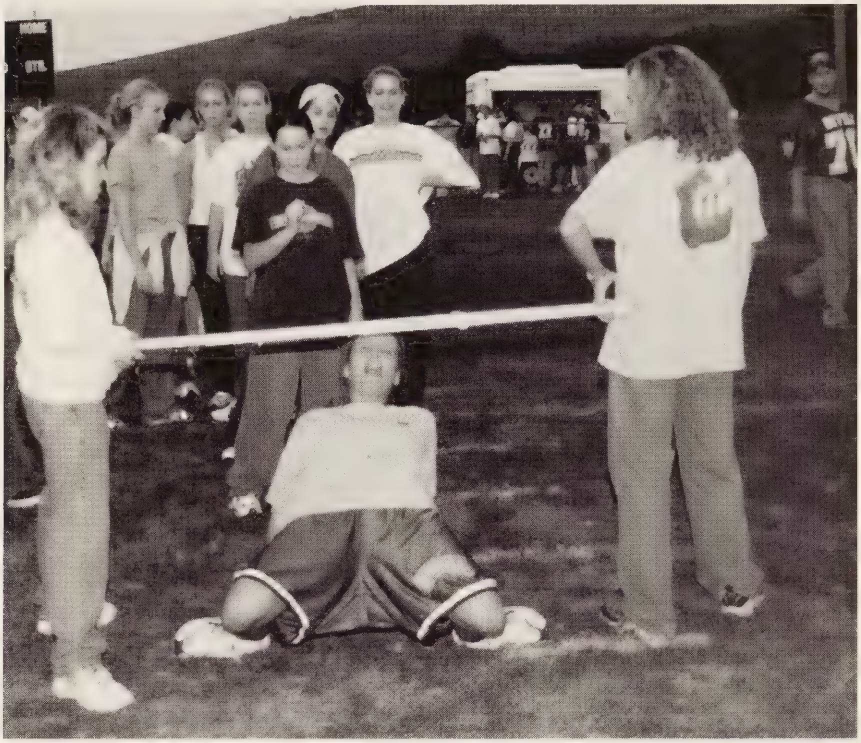
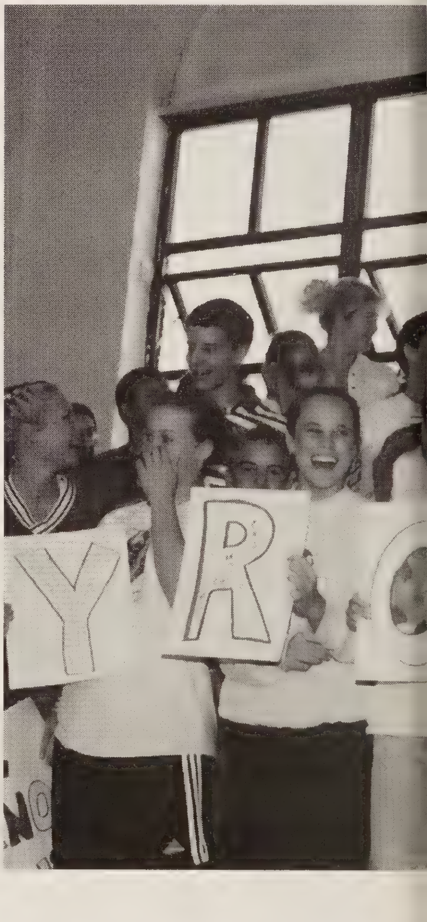


▼**How low can you go?** . . . Seniors Courtney Jessee and Ashley Addington hold the limbo bar for Senior Jessica Hogg at the evening pep rally before the Homecoming Game against Pound.



The Varsity Football Cheerleaders, along with many other fans, enjoyed themselves while participating in activities such as the wheelbarrow race, piggy-back race, and eating and laughing with friends.



Game Time

Students Brought A New Meaning To Playing Games

At the sound of "game time," most would automatically think about a basketball or football team preparing for a big game. While this would be a correct assumption, game time was quickly discovered to be an aspect of any student's life who was involved in clubs or who was school spirited.

Once a month on Tuesdays and Thursdays, the school schedule was altered in order for clubs to meet from 10:30 to 11:05. Junior Eric Ervin recalled one meeting, *"In one FBLA club meeting we played twister!"*

Club meetings weren't the only gatherings that found time to play. An evening pep rally was held on the football field, and as Sophomore Jamie Castle recalled, *"My favorite part of the pep rally was when we had a wheelbarrow race."* From football tossing to piggy-back racing, this new event was filled with fun and games.

Fossil Fact
In 1982, the Art Club had a tobacco spitting contest.

While all these games throughout the year did not require a scorebook, the memories made were worth far more than any trophy.

◄Light as a feather . . . Senior McKinsey Huff shows her stuff while pumping iron at Better Bodies Gym in St. Paul. On average, McKinsey put in one to one and a half hours, five days a week at the gym lifting weights and exercising.

▼Show me the money . . . Freshman Candace Justice tries her luck in a carnival money game at the fair on Fair Day. This game was located on top of the hill next to the Gravitron and proved to be an interesting attraction to students as they took a chance on winning.

OUTSpoken

What do you like about Game Time?

"We had a blast playing 'Video Clue' in Mrs. Woodlief's 2nd period pre-algebra class."
—Chandra Booker,
Eighth Grader

"Playing basketball is really fun because you get to score a lot of points."

—Jamie Castle,
Sophomore

▲Let's get ready to rumble! . . . Junior Amy Puckett cheers on the juniors at the Homecoming Pep Rally. The juniors won the spirit stick at the Pep Rally as they prepared the Football Team for the Homecoming Game against Pound.

◄Y-R-O-T-C-I-V?. . . Freshmen Alicia King, Krista Honaker, Candace Justice, Stevi Willis, Tara Carpenter, Tracey Evans, and Megan Campbell support the Football Team with colorful signs in the old gym during a pep rally while other members of the freshman class offer their own enthusiasm.

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Play Time

Students Took a Break From Class

Although it was hard for teachers and students to squeeze in some spare time due to the preparation for the SOL testing, they still managed to pull it off as best they could.

Some teachers, like Ms. Stevenson for example, allowed their classes time to play games. Her French classes played Bingo and French Monopoly during any spare time.

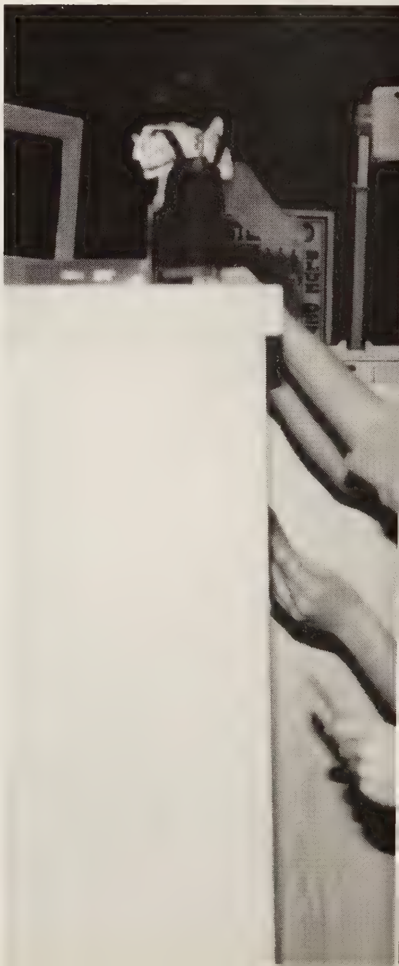
Others found their own way to take up the free time. Junior Cole Osborne said, *"When I get free time in class I try to relax as much as possible."*

It appeared that a hectic schedule called for organization during free time as well. Junior Asten Buckles said, *"I usually organize all the work I have to do when I have free time."*

All work and no play made for a boring day; thus, teachers and students alike added a little play time to their work time to make the days go by.

Fossil Fact **In 1956-58, the gym classes combined for a dance on Wednesdays.**

▲Flying high . . . Sophomores Jessica Chafin and Jennifer Puckett enjoy themselves on a carnival ride on Fair Day. Jessica and Jennifer, like other best friends, went to the fair three days. From carnival rides to school day competitions, the fair provided the perfect setting for play time. Events like the fair brought out the playful child in every student.



◄Boing, boing, boing . . . Senior Ashley Addington plunges onto the bed in her room at the Hyatt Hotel in Richmond, Virginia. Despite the fact that the trip took an exhausting seven hours, Ashley and the other students still had the energy and stamina to have a little play time. The Journalism students visited Richmond on Halloween weekend and participated in the state yearbook competition. They enjoyed attending workshops as well as the awards ceremony.

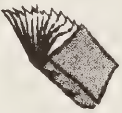
▼Ready for kung foo fighting? . . . Freshman Candace Justice busts a move while dressed for Blue and White Day during Homecoming Week. Candace dressed up every day of Homecoming Week to show her school spirit and enjoy a little play time.

▲Boogie down . . . Senior Courtney Jessee shows her spirit in Mrs. Gibson's room during journalism on Friday during Homecoming Week. Courtney knew that play time could occur anywhere, not just at games.

◄Playing with dolls? . . . Seniors McKinsey Huff and Amy Jones perform *The Awakening* for their first period class using Barbie dolls in the fiber optics room. The AP English 12 teacher, Mrs. Barbara Justice from Honaker, assigned many class projects that related to stories the class was reading.

And the survey says. . .

If you had a whole class period to do whatever you wanted, what would you do?



Read a Book, 2%

Sleep, 28%

Talk to a Friend, 70%

**50 Students Surveyed*

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►**Bust a move . . .** Junior Ray Mullins and his date, Sophomore Courtney King cut loose on the dance floor as various other prom-goers mingle and dance. As usual, the prom was held in the foyer of the new gymnasium and provided the perfect atmosphere for students to dance, socialize, eat, and simply let the good times roll!

OUTSpoken

How did it feel to be royalty for a night?

"It was an honor to be picked for Prom Queen by my classmates!"
—Jessica Hogg, Prom Queen

"I knew it would be a close competition. Tanner and Justin, (being my close friends), made it a tough decision; but, it was great being King."
—Brandon Bush, Prom King

"It was great! I appreciate the votes from my junior classmates."
—Jessica Cain, Prom Princess

"Gentlemen, what we do in life echoes throughout eternity!"
—Michael Cozzolino, Prom Prince

▲**Are you kidding? . . .** Senior Melinda Breeding is shocked by something Junior Shannon Hale says as they walk with Freshman Stevi Willis from the refreshment table. Faculty, parents, and members of the junior class helped to prepare the delicious food served at the prom.

►**It feels great to sit down a while . . .** Senior Danielle Holbrook sits with her date, Brandon Chafin, at a table near the front of the foyer. Since socializing could become tiresome, students were often found sitting back and taking in the "Stairway to Heaven" prom scenery.

Let The Good Times Roll

Students Realized the Difficulty of Prom Preparation

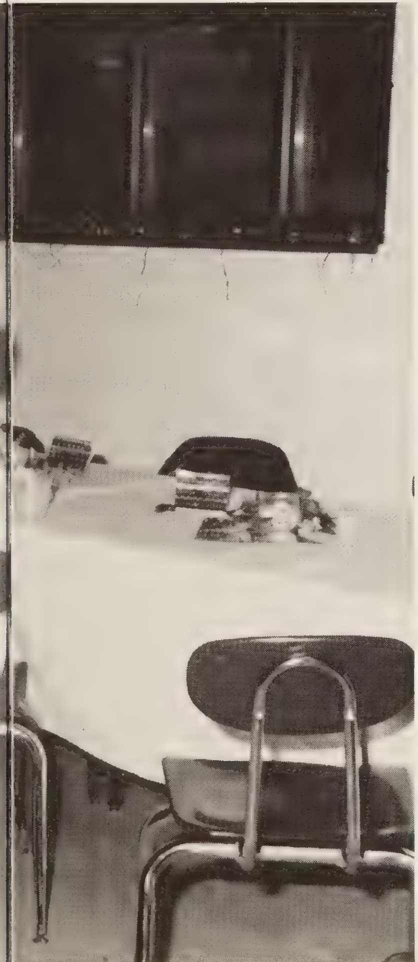
Decisions! This was what the prom proposed for the juniors who helped prepare for this momentous event. *"There are many prom preparations; but, we are ready for the challenge,"* said Junior Matt Justice.

Several committees were organized to help with the prom. The Theme Committee was headed by Mrs. Hackney and had eight members. This group chose the decorations for the prom. There was also the Glass Committee, led by Mrs. Wright. This committee of four thoughtful members chose the design for the keepsake glasses. Mrs. Castle headed the Invitations Committee which made tickets and invitations, and the theme and song were chosen by a committee headed by Mrs. Woodlief.

"Prom will be a lot of work; but, it will be worth it," stated Junior Matt Dye.

Despite the various decisions, the end result was definitely a success as prom-goers let the good times roll.

Fossil Fact From 1956-61, Proms were held at restaurants.



▲What a dancer! . . . Junior Louise Gibson demonstrates her dancing ability as fellow Junior Amanda Taylor backs up her friend. Louise and Amanda appreciated the time to cut loose as they each were on the Prom Committee and had worked together to pull off an awesome prom.

▲Dancing the night away . . . Juniors, Seniors, and their dates enjoy dancing to a slow song in the foyer of the new gym. Music and entertainment was provided by D.J. Benny Mays who played a variety of both fast and slow music for everyone's dancing pleasure. The junior class chose "Angel" as the prom's theme song.

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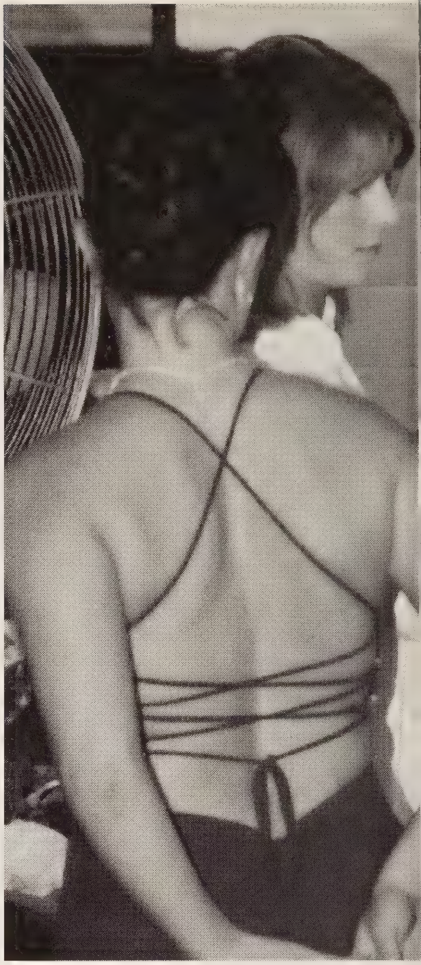
▼Full of Latin flavor . . . Sophomore Jeana Willis, Freshman Summer Chafin, and Eighth Graders Amy Branson, Kimberly Sproles, Ashley Jessee, and Sheena Weddle dance onstage in the auditorium. The Junior Miss contestants opened the pageant up by dancing to the popular Ricky Martin song, "Shake Your Bon Bon".

►Just a little more lipstick . . . Senior Ashley Vanover pauses briefly before the pageant as her friend Megan Riddle touches up her makeup, and fellow Senior Amy Jones looks on. The two must have touched up just enough for the judges as Ashley placed first and Amy came in fourth place in the Miss CHS competition.



Salsa Time

Pageant Theme Was Full of Latin Flavor

"Shake your bon-bon!" What could this choice phrase possibly had to do with school activities? If you answered that this dealt with the Beauty Pageant you would be correct. Sponsored by the FBLA, and directed by Mrs. Allen for the past seven years, the pageant was always theme-oriented. Mrs. Allen, with the help of students and other FBLA sponsors, decided on the pageant's theme based on the most popular music and movies of the year. After much consideration, a Latin theme was chosen.

Senior Choreographer McKinsey Huff said,*"Despite allowing two weeks for practicing and rehearsal for the pageant dance, everything always comes together the final night."* The theme, however, could not take away from the contestants. Mrs. Allen commented, *"It's an exciting time of the year, and I enjoy having the chance to work with the girls."*

Contestants as well, enjoyed the theme as they did the salsa and smiled for the crowning title.

Fossil Fact

The first Miss C.H.S. was Peggy Jessee.

OUTSpoken

Why did you think the Latin Theme was a good choice?

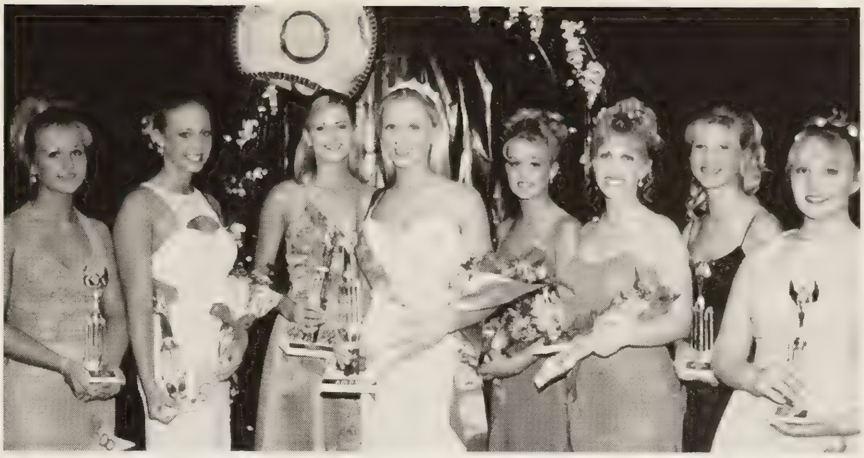
"I thought it was one of our better pageants because there was so much you could do with it as far as music and decorations."

—Jessica Cain,
Miss CHS

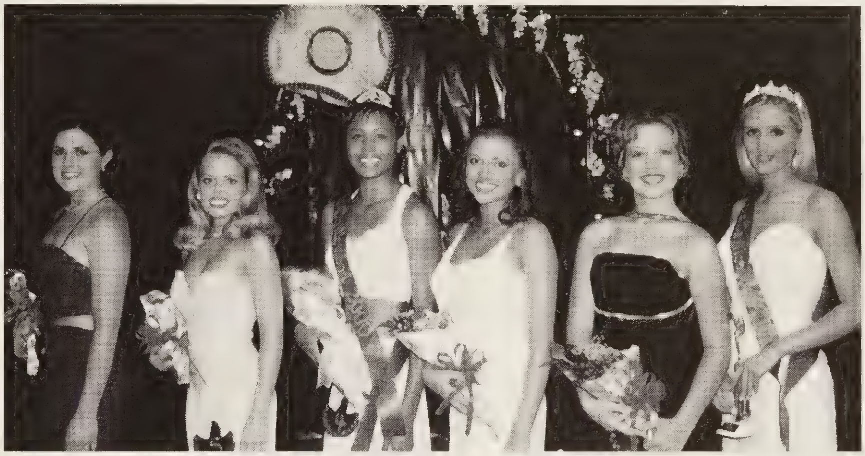
"Because it made the stage easy to decorate and complimented it nicely."

—Megan Campbell,
Junior Miss CHS

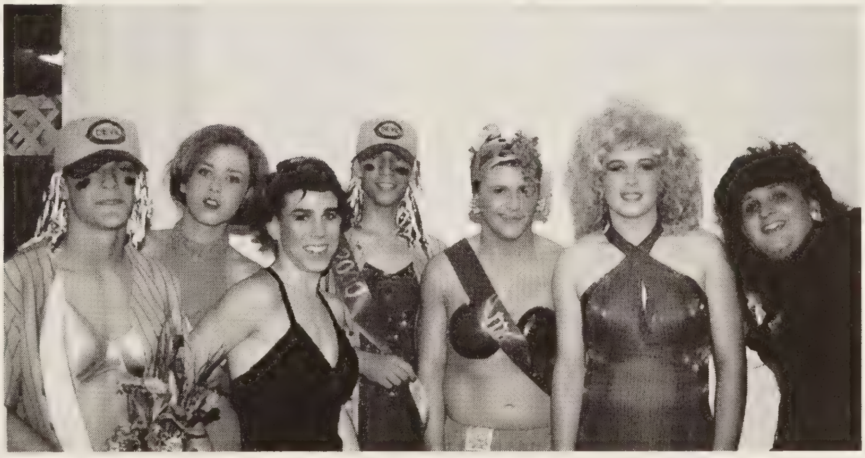
▲Smile for the judges . . . Sophomore Vickie Clark gives one of her best smiles during the pageant in the auditorium. Vickie, along with twenty-three other beautiful young ladies, competed in the Junior Miss competition.



▲Junior Miss C.H.S. Winners . . . Sheena Weddle, Miss Photogenic; Jaclyn Byerly, 3rd Runner-Up; Traci Poole, 1st Runner-Up; Megan Campbell, Junior Miss CHS; Jessica Clevinger, 2nd Runner-Up; Jeana Willis, 4th Runner-Up; Damara Fields, Miss Congeniality; and Chandra Booker, Most Sponsors.



▲Miss CHS Winners . . . Amy Jones, 4th Runner-Up; Courtney Jessee, 2nd-Runner Up; Jessica Cain, Miss CHS, Most Photogenic, and Most Sponsors; Ashley Vanover, 1st Runner-Up; Danielle Sargent, 3nd Runner-Up and Miss People's Choice Winner; and Megan Campbell, Junior Miss People's Choice (Not Pictured: Jessica Hogg, Miss Congeniality).



▲Mr. CHS Winners . . . Eric Glovier, Mr. CHS 2000; William Hicks, 3rd Runner-Up; Hunter Robinson, 1st Runner-Up; Matt Justice, Mr. C.H.S. 2000; Jarred Coffey, Mr. CHS 1999; Jonathan Salyer, 2nd Runner-Up; and Chris Couch, 3rd Runner-Up.

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►With a wave of the wand . . . Senior Rebecca Meade leans forward as she addresses the audience in the auditorium during scene six of the Saturday night production of the play. Becky played the part of Glenda the Good Witch.

▼Counting chicks . . . Uncle Henry and Aunt Em, Seniors Shane Lambert and Amy Jones, work quickly on the farm before "the storm" hits during scene two in the auditorium. To add to the authenticity of the set, Shane and Amy worked with live baby chicks during this particular scene.

Time Out! Take a Quiz

1. How many girls auditioned for the character Dorothy?

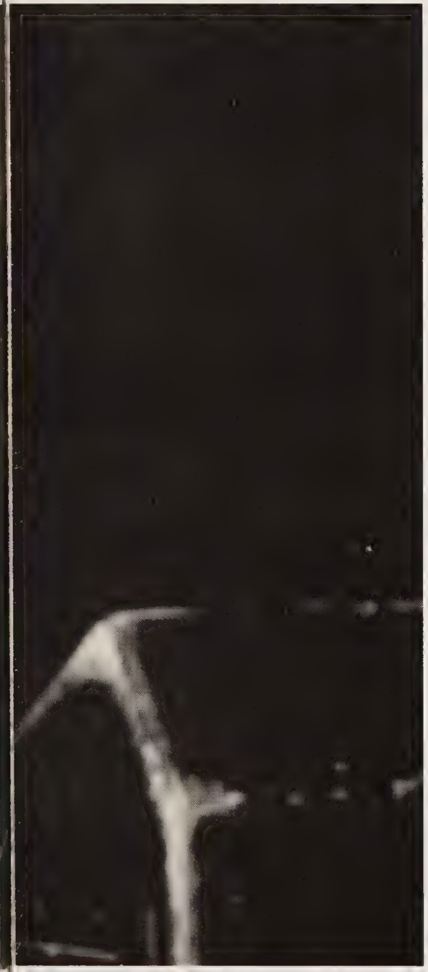
A. 1
B. 10
C. 6
D. 5

2. Who played the Wizard of Oz?

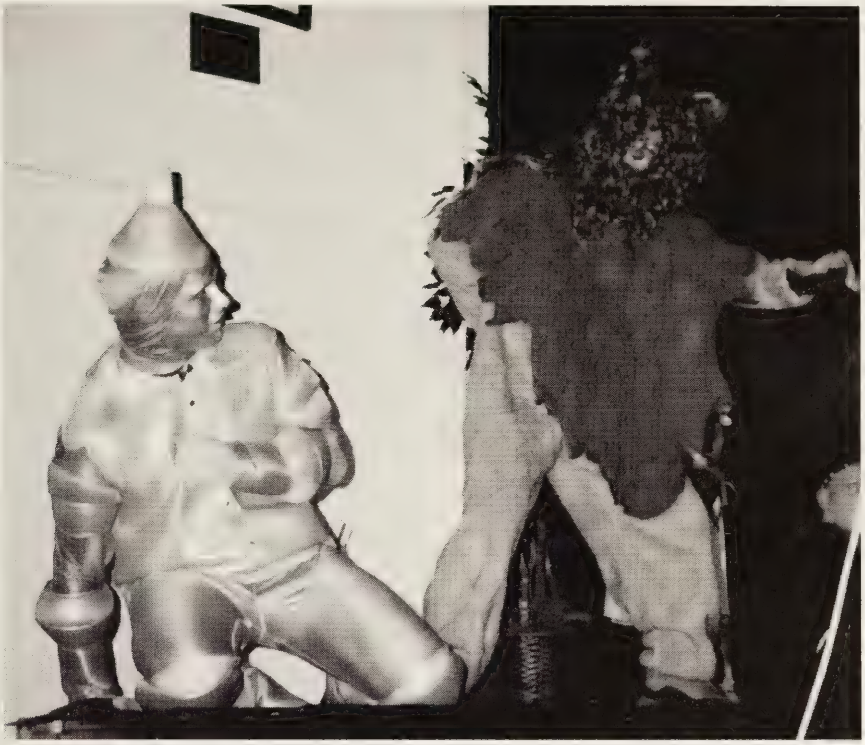
A. Michael Sutherland
B. Josh Banner
C. David Crabtree
D. Rebecca Meade

▲I want that little dog! . . . Miss Almira Gultch, Senior Ashley Addington, dramatically delivers her lines to the audience just after she rides her bicycle up a ramp onto the stage in the auditorium. Ashley dually played the role of Miss Gultch and the Wicked Witch of the West.

►Oh Toto! . . . Dorothy, Senior Courtney Jessee, talks with her "only real friend," her dog Toto. Toto, better known as Simba, belonged to Frankie Skeens who played the first school teacher in Munchkinland.



▼What are you talking about? . . . The Tinman and the Cowardly Lion, Juniors Ryan McDaniel and Michael Cozzolino, creatively play their roles during the Saturday night production of the musical. Ryan, the Tinman, was first introduced in scene ten, and Michael, the Cowardly Lion, came into the picture in scene twelve.



Singing Out

Performers Gave It Their All For Auditions

Once again, Choir and Drama Classes presented a musical. Before the show could go on, nervous students had to pull off auditions.

Students wishing to take part in the school's production of *The Wizard of Oz* had to prove they had what it took to make the cut. As they took the stage, anxiety and nervousness ran high. What if they forgot their lines? For some, this proved to be a challenge; however, others took auditions in stride. As Junior Brandie Sproles said, "*I was nervous about being in front of others; but after you finish you realize it wasn't that bad.*" Eighth Grade choir student Amanda Salyer said, "*Being an eighth grader, I found it intimidating trying out against upperclassmen.*" Since choir students had to try out for one part and drama students three parts, they had to overlook any fears. Students knew they had to speak up and sing out to produce a great musical.

Fossil Fact The musical in 1987 and 1999 was *Duck Tails and Bobby Sox.*

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As Individuals Moved Through High School, The Student Body Became Like. . .

Stepping Stones

As students stepped into the halls of school, they found themselves with a new identity and a new phase in the hike through high school.

At the bottom of the mountain, one would find an exploring group of **eighth graders** who were getting their hiking boots ready as they prepared for a long trip ahead. A little higher up in the foothills, a bold pack of **freshmen** could be found fitting into a new environment and adjusting to new surroundings. Halfway up the trail, a troop of settling **sophomores** began to form their own homestead as they adapted to the conditions of the continuing hike. As the harrowing trip went on, a journeying clan of **juniors** began to see the peak as they slowly struggled through the fog of the peak of their travels. Standing on the summit, a soaring group of **seniors** valiantly left their mark as they successfully completed the hike. These daring, brave, and adventuring young hikers were never alone on the seemingly endless journey. Acting as tour guides on the ascending climb, **faculty and staff** helped to lead the way as they pointed out new directions and shortcuts along the way.

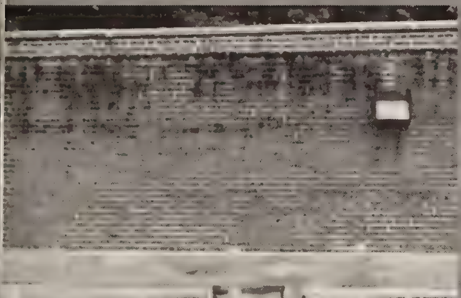
On this adventure, despite the perils of everyday life, friends became closer, bonds were formed, experience was gained, and memories were shared as students stepped forward into new territory.

▶**Stepping forward** . . . Eighth Graders Kyanne Ramey, Lauren Lay, and Jessica Dickenson and Sophomores Andrea Sanders and Charm Herndon walk towards the school as they get off of Bus Number 50 before school. Groups of friends quickly discovered that "quality time" could occur anywhere, not just within the school itself.

▶**Stepping together and stepping up** . . . By the end of the year, both individuals and groups of friends were ready for any kind of rest and relaxation.

(Near Right) Seniors Tanner Dillon and Josh Bradley lean on each other as they practice for the three-legged race during the Evening Homecoming Pep Rally.

(Far Right) Sophomore Dale Nickles and Juniors Lee Holloway, Roy Hill, Jason Holloway, and Ezra McClellan take a break from activities held during a class picnic on the lawn beside the old gymnasium.



◄**Stepping down** . . . Eighth Graders Jessica Eaum and Amanda Salyer carefully move off the bus during a first period bus evacuation drill. While students realized the importance of this procedure, they also saw it as an opportunity to mingle with their friends.

In With the New AND OLD

Eighth Graders Answered the Question: "What Makes a Good Friend?"

What makes a good friend? Eighth graders had many opinions about this question, and all had different definitions and criteria of a true friend.

Once the eighth grade class entered the exciting realm of high school, they had more opportunities than ever to meet new people. They had the unique experience of making the new school transition with old friends, while at the same time meeting older students who also possessed the ability of becoming future pals.

Even though high school was a new environment in which each eighth grader could meet new people, each still managed to hang on to at least one reliable friend from elementary school.

A person who continued to stay true blue from one school to the next was important; and, as Jessica Hicks stated, *"I look for loyalty: someone who will always be there; someone who won't talk about me behind my back; and someone who will be there through the ups and downs."*

Fossil Fact
From 1965-70, 8th grade friends could not walk upstairs before school.

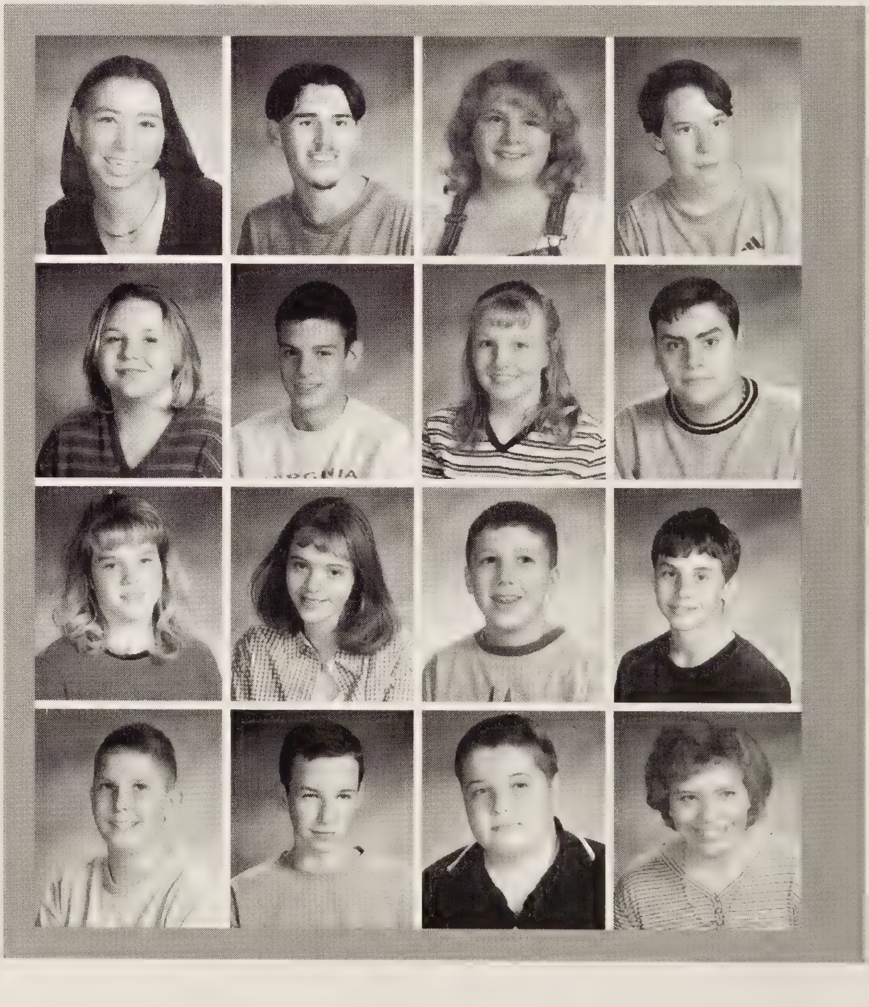
►**Hangin' around** . . . Eighth Graders Kristy Puckett and Jonathan Meade talk outside Coach Roberson's room before school. With only three minutes between periods, friends used spare seconds before classes to chat.

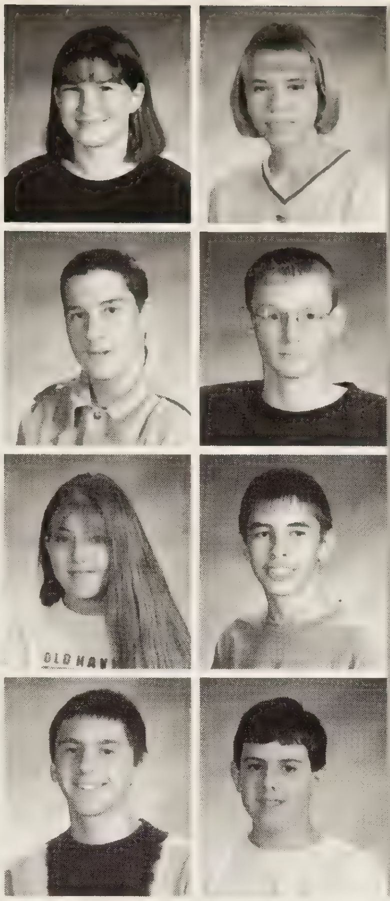
Beth Austin
Marshall Baldwin
Caroline Ball
Jonathan Blanton

Anna Bolling
Bradley Bond
Chandra Booker
Danny Boyd

Heather Bradley
Amy Branson
Nathan Carpenter
Eric Carter

Bret Chafin
Seth Collins
Robert Dean
Jessica Dickenson





Brittany Elam

Jessica Elam

Joshua Fields

Jonathan Finch

Bobbie Godsey

Brandon Hall

E. W. Hall

Shane Hall

Heather Hicks

Jessica Hicks

William Hicks

Jasmine Hill

Ashley Jenkins

Cagney Johnson

Heather Johnson

Jessica Johnson

Billy Jones

Kayla Keith

Joseph Kiser

Kesha Kiser

Lauren Lay

Christopher Marshall

Jessica Meade

Jonathan Meade

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Cecil Mullins

Mark Mullins

Matthew Nickels

Rachel Nickles

Tyler Osborne

Michael Owens

Derick Phillips

Jessica Phillips

Heather Powers

Kristy Puckett

Matthew Puckett

Michelle Puckett

David Radford

Ryanne Ramey

Brett Ramsey

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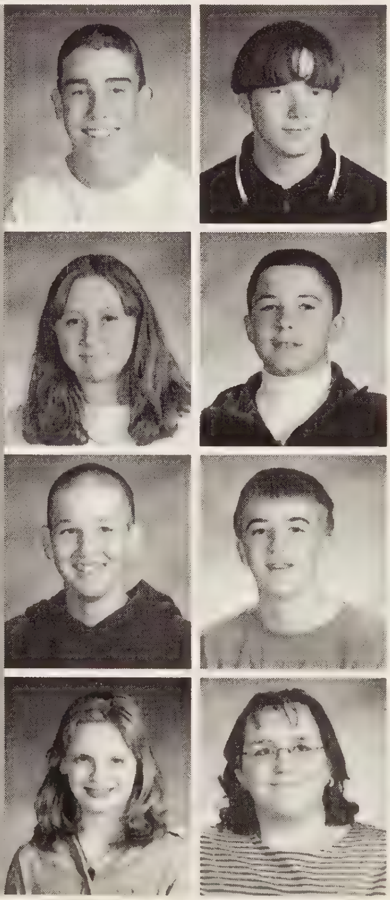
Travis Salyer

Christiana Seay

Kimberly Sexton



Jamie Shytle

Elizabeth Skeens

Charles Snead

Kimberly Sproles

Adam Sykes

Brandon Talford

Katherine Tarr

Kelly Turner

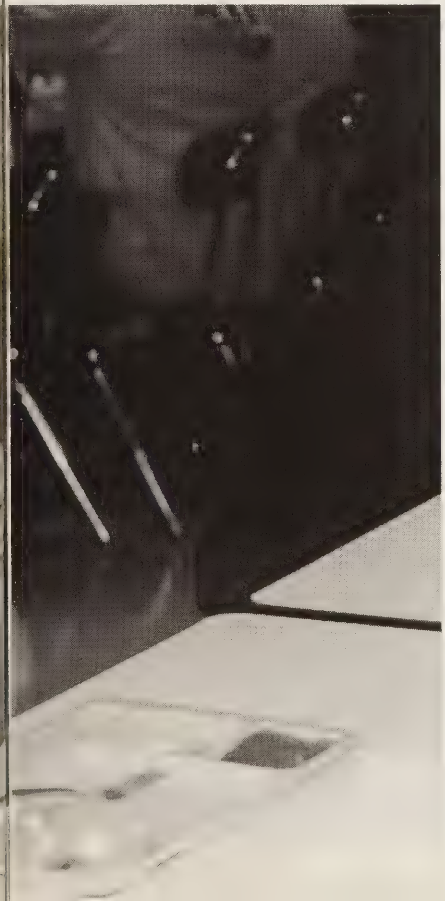
Kristopher White

Timothy Winebarger

Angela Woods

Moving Up the FOOD CHAIN

Eighth Graders Realized the Benefits of Lunch



◄Chug, chug . . . Eighth Grader Mark Mullins drinks his milk in the cafeteria after finishing his lunch. During this third period lunch, Mark ate the usual pizza and french fries.

Food, friends, and socializing . . . at the sound of these three words, one might first think that these were components of a weekend party. While this was true, these three factors were also quickly discovered by eighth graders to be rewarding aspects of lunch.

Lunch provided eighth graders time to rest and collect their thoughts. It gave them a break from class and the time to chow down. Jonathan Meade backed up this fact as he responded to the question: *"Why do you like lunch?"* with the answer, *"FOOD!"* While Jonathan was content with food in general, classmate Brandon Talford was quoted saying, *"PIZZA!,"* was his favorite meal in the lunchroom.

Others, such as Amy Branson, who responded, *"Being with our friends is the best thing about lunch,"* had more social things on her mind, as well as classmate Heather Johnson who responded, *"being able to talk with friends"* was also her favorite cafeteria pastime. Since talking was kept to a minimum during class, lunch gave eighth graders the perfect opportunity to catch up on the latest gossip.

Eighth graders filed in the lunchroom with other classes during fourth period for an average lunch period of thirty minutes. The eighth grade class was not limited to which of the thirty-six tables they could sit, but they were held back as the last class to leave once lunch was over. This was a normal rite of passage, and they knew that once they moved up the proverbial "food chain" they too would eventually be able to leave first.

While the benefits of lunch quickly became evident to eighth graders, picking the best aspect was a little more difficult; however, eating, mingling, and socializing topped the list.

Fossil Fact

From 1960-63, there was a candy store in the lunchroom.

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Megan Amburgey
Melanie Ball

Chris Banner
Amanda Barton

Melissa Beavers
Greg Bennett

Nikki Blanton
Sarah Brandon

Kim Buckley
Jaclyn Byerley
Tara Carpenter
Bridget Carter

Megan Cambell
Ryan Castle
Derick Chaffin
Megan Chafin

Summer Chafin
Chris Collins
Ashley Crabtree
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Cody Cress
Casey Dotson
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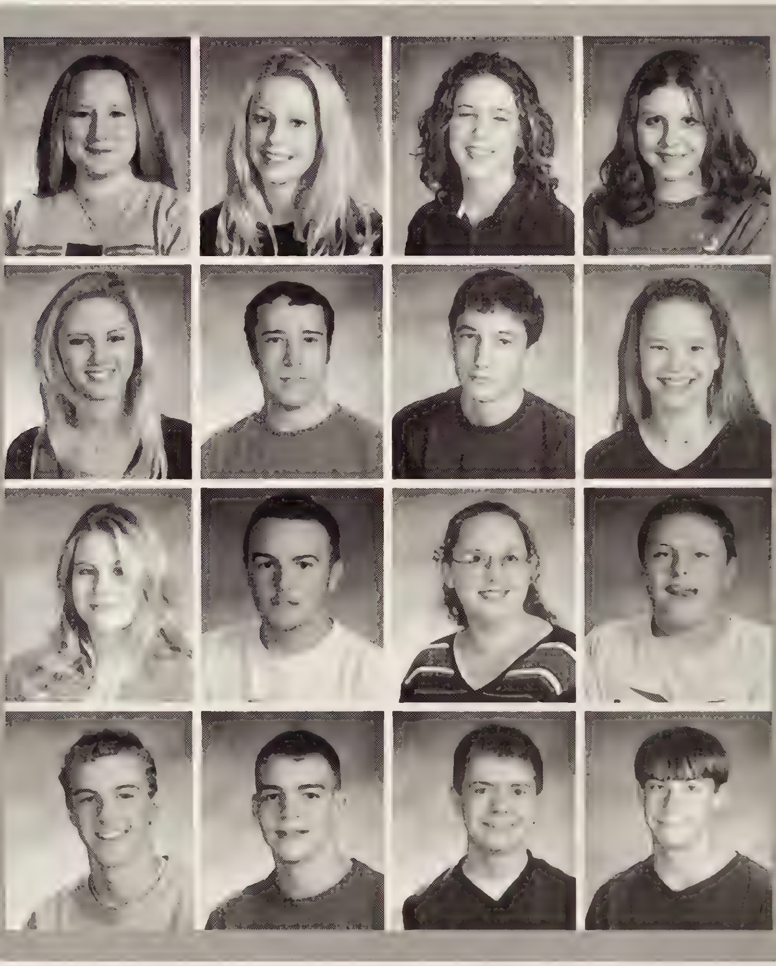

Hey! What's COOKIN'?

Freshmen Answered the Question: "What Makes A Friendship Last?"

◀Listen to this . . . Freshmen friends Alyssa Hearl and Bobbi Jo Jessee hang out at the water fountain outside Coach Poole's room.

What makes a friendship last? Creating a quality friendship was like making a complex, yet delicious, four-star dinner. Freshmen soon learned that they had become chefs of a sort as they searched frantically for the precise ingredients to create that perfect friendship that would last. After making the adjustment to high school as eighth graders, they learned that some friends' tastes simply changed from elementary, and friendships ultimately grew apart. Whatever the reason, freshmen learned quickly that they must find the recipe to a lasting friendship.

"Friends are people who don't backstab; they don't make you feel bad; and they don't act superior to you," replied Chante Proffitt. Most freshmen agreed that friends were those that stayed true through the good times and the bad, and they also learned that in order to maintain a trusting friendship, honesty was essential. *"I think that truthfulness and honesty is what makes a friendship last,"* added Melissa Hensley.

Fossil Fact
Former freshmen friends included Mrs. Gibson and Coach Tarr's wife, Rachel, in 1984.

Whatever the recipe, creating a lasting friendship required a variety of virtuous traits and characteristics.

Tracey Evans
Adam Fields
Damara Fields
Jonathan Fields

Pamela Gordon
Kayla Hale
Sheena Hale
Johnathan Hall

Wesley Hall
Alyssa Hearl
Wesley Helton
Melissa Hensley

Trista Hicks
Jessica Hileman
Tara Hill
Freddie Holbrook

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Krista Honaker

Gevon Hurd

Ashley Jessee

Bobbi Jo Jessee

Candace Justice

Alicia King

Eric Kiser

Amber Lane

Foster Layne

Matthew McReynolds

Randy Meade

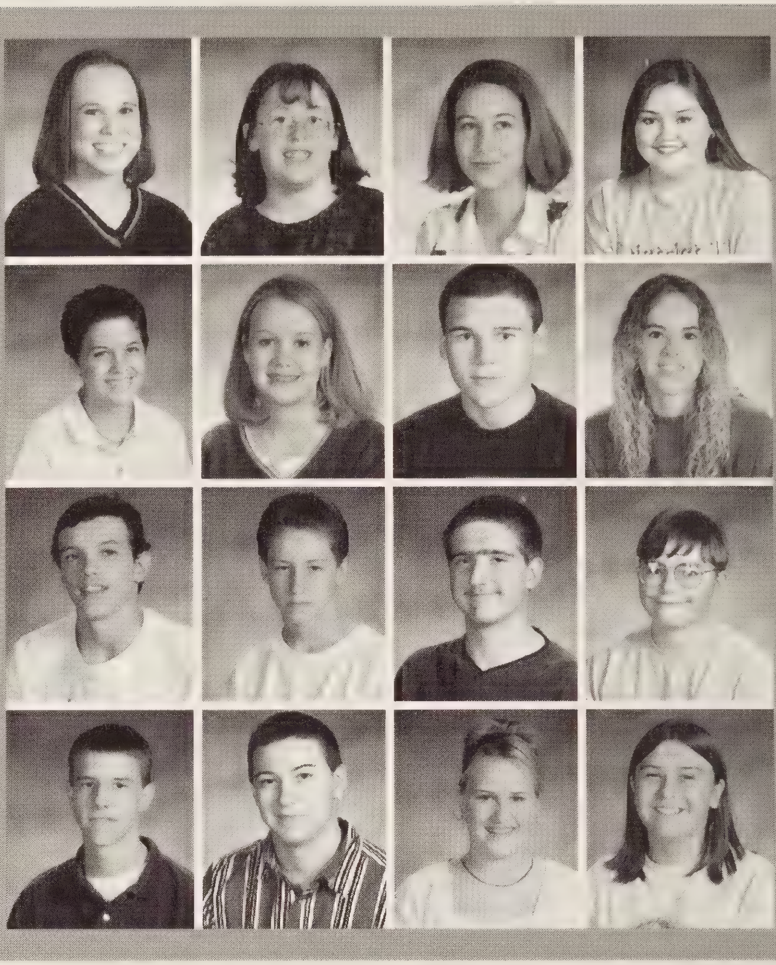
Adam Moore

Max Morris

Eric Osborne

Asha Patrick

Rebecca Patrick



Spinning Their Wheels

Freshmen Found Ways to Spend Bus Time

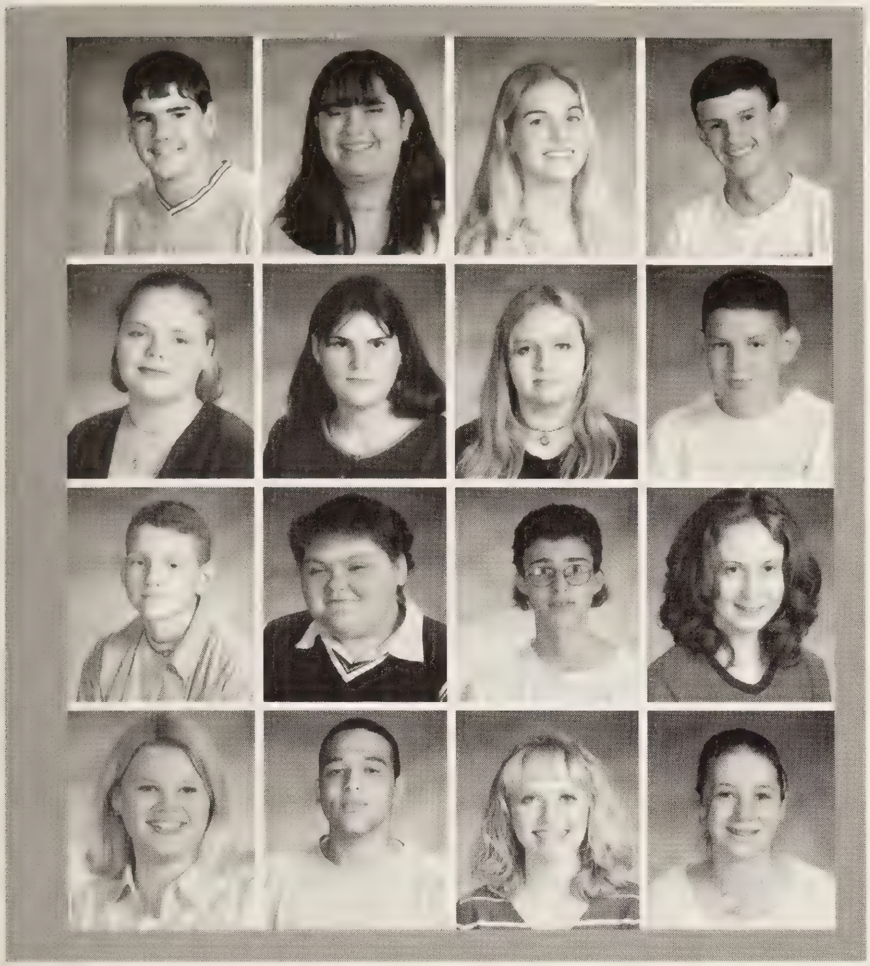
Man am I cold! This phrase was repeated frequently by freshmen who were waiting for the bus to take them to and from school. Freshmen were not old enough to drive to school, so unless they had an older sibling or parent to drive them, they were often found waiting for their buses. A long wait sometimes out in the cold was then followed by a long ride home.

Freshmen found various ways to make the trip go by faster. Tara Hill shared how she spent her time on the bus by saying, *"I pass time on the bus by complaining about how I never have my homework."* While this may have been true for many, some took advantage of the extra time before and after school to actually do their homework. *"The bus is like a study hall,"* explained Randy Meade, *"If it had a vending machine, it would be better though!"*

While the bus may not have been considered a highlight of the day, resourceful freshmen utilized it not only as a means of transportation, but sometimes as a mobile study hall and other times as a place to catch up on the latest news and gossip. Whatever they did on the bus to and from school, freshmen spun their own wheels finding a way to make it interesting.

Fossil Fact

From 1956-61, the bus would not pick up a student who lived within one mile of the school.



Daven Phillips

Chante Proffitt

Emily Puckett

Dustin Salyer

Amber Salyers

Kelly Salyers

Samantha Salyers

Paul Sanders

Charlie Self

Amanda Stevens

Matt Street

Carol Taylor

Lauren Wallace

Jason White

Stevi Willis

Jessica Younce

◄Need a ride? . . . Freshmen Amanda Stevens and Amanda Barton strike up a conversation on the front steps while waiting for their bus to pull up outside the main entrance. Students who rode first load buses were lucky to be dismissed at 3:20 to their buses which were lined up beside the sidewalk ready to take them home. Second bus load students however, didn't dismiss until the 3:25 bell, and the last bus did not arrive until approximately 4:00 p.m. This meant that those students, many of them freshmen and eighth graders, had to pass the time talking, snacking, and even sometimes doing homework. If they were lucky, on a sunny day they could lounge outside as they awaited their buses to take them home.

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A Matter of OPINION

Sophomores Answered the Question: "How do You Define Friendship?"

How do you define friendship? Webster's Dictionary gives a clear definition; yet, the sophomore class had their own opinions.

Some sophomores thought in order to have friends one must first understand the importance of friendship; and, as Crystal Porter explained, *"Friendship is very important in every student's life."*

No matter how they defined friendship, sophomores realized that true friends were there to the end. As Russell Osborne stated, *"A friend is a person who will stick by you through thick and thin."* Without dependability, one could never really understand the value of friendship.

The ability to keep secrets and be discreet was also a desired quality in good friendships; and, according to Amy Jessee, a friend is *"someone who keeps their mouth shut!"*

Whatever the criteria or definition, sophomores realized the need for true friendship; and, as explained by Nicole Baker, *"Without friendship you could not make it through life."*

Fossil Fact
Former sophomore friends were Mrs. Wallace and Mrs. Jessee in 1964.

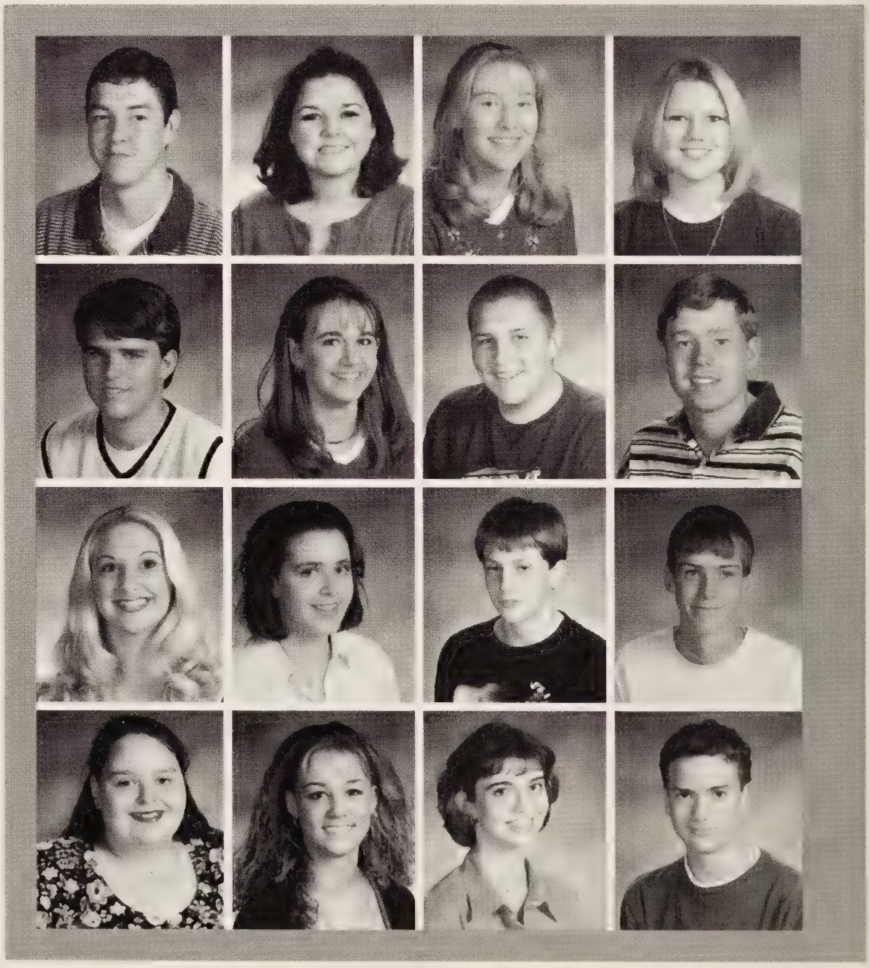
►**Have you heard the latest?** . . . Friends, and also sisters, Sophomore Shannon Johnson and Eighth Grader Jessica Johnson laugh as they catch up on the day's events outside in front of the main entrance. Shannon and Jessica were waiting for bus fifty-nine to take them home after school.

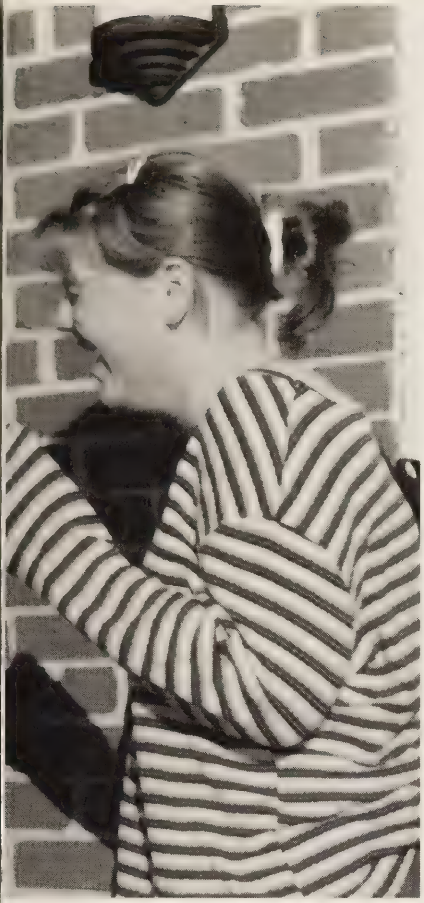
Adam Austin
Kayla Austin
Sheena Austin
Nicole Baker

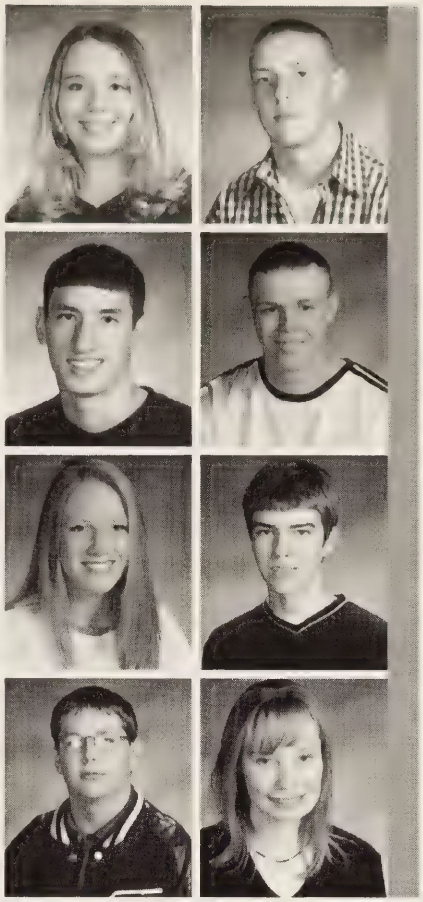
Josh Banner
Kayla Buckles
Jarred Bush
Jamie Castle

Amanda Chafin
Jessica Chafin
Joey Chafin
Jonathan Clark

Vickie Clark
Jessica Clevinger
Alishia Cox
Elijah Dixon







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Heath Fields

Ricky Gibson

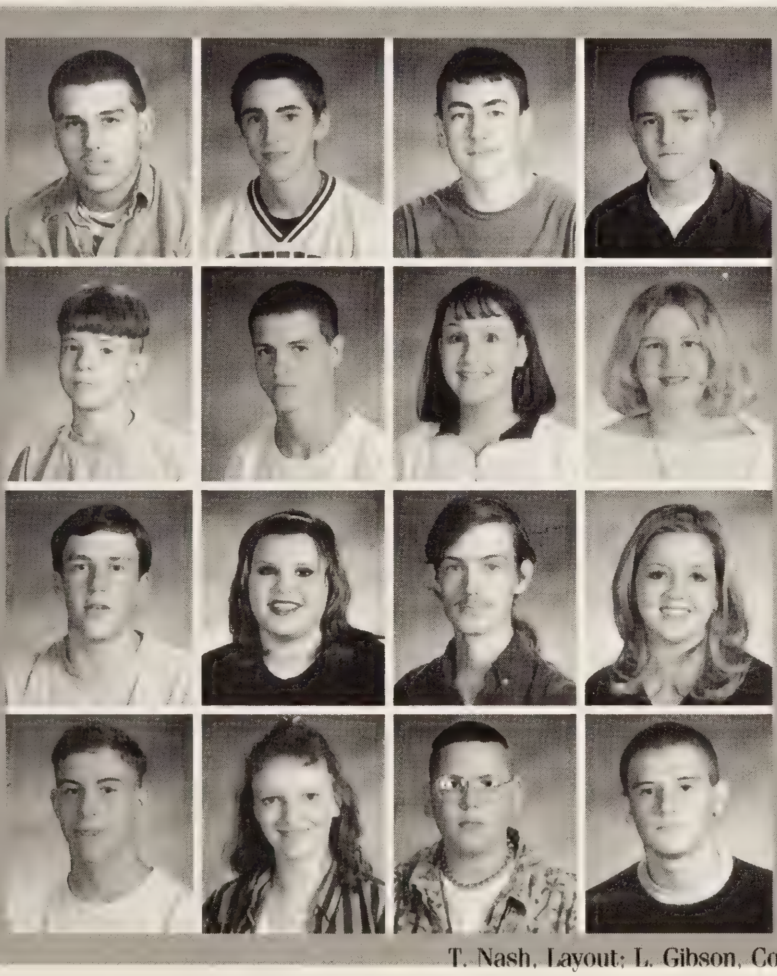
Gary Hale

Shannon Hale

Mike Hale

Jason Helbert

Charm Herndon



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David Hileman

Dustin Holbrook

Jacob Holbrook

R.J. Jenkins

Adam Jessee

Amy Jessee

Sheena Jessee

Daniel Johnson

Shannon Johnson

Nathaniel Keith

Courtney King

Grady Kring

Gloria Layne

Travis Milgrim

Dale Nickles

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Matthew Nickles

Russell Osborne

Whitney Phillips

Traci Poole

Crystal Porter

Jennifer Puckett

James Ramey

Joshua Reedy

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Audrea Sanders

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Nick Stidham

Amanda Trail

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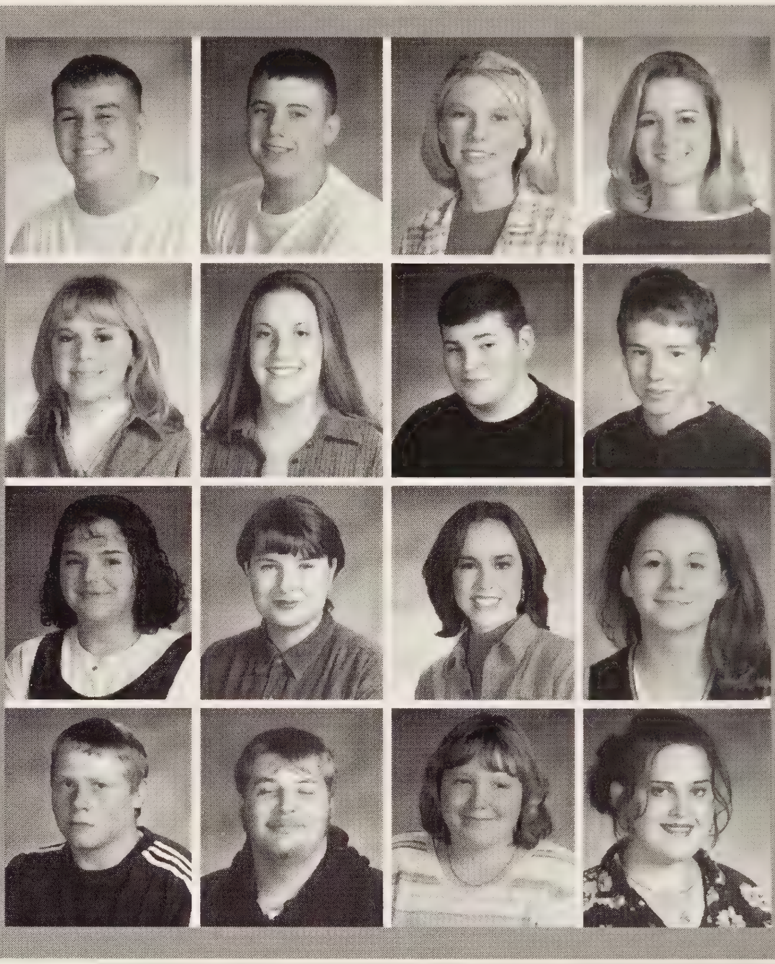

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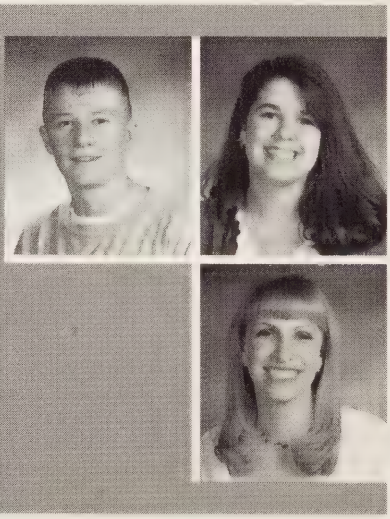
Jeana Willis



►Grammar giggles . . . Sophomores Jacob Holbrook and Alishia Cox and Senior Robert Frazier gather around a library table highly amused as Jacob attempts to get some homework done for his first period English 10 class. Situations such as this did not last long when Mrs. Milton was near. Everyone had to at least *look* busy or ran the risk of getting tossed out. Being grounded from the library for laughing could constitute anywhere from one day to one month out.

A Little Quiet TIME

Sophomores Took Advantage of Library Perks

Sssshhhhh!!!!!!!! Stop talking and get to work!!!

These words were heard repeatedly by sophomores who went to the library. This quiet getaway, tucked between the science and history departments on the second floor, provided a haven from the general chaos of clanging bells and slamming lockers. Sometimes sophomores were able to get a library pass and, as Jeana Willis explained, found that it was *"a good place to get work done."*

Some sophomores filed into the library to finish reports, while others were there to surf the net or leaf through current periodicals. Over fifty years the rules for using the library changed. Once only a place to do work, students who were quiet eventually were allowed to use the library to play games, read magazines, and just hang out. Whatever the reason, sophomores were veterans to the library scene and realized that the climate controlled library with its large tables, comfortable chairs, and in-demand computers provided for an ideal working, as well as leisure, environment. As Bobbi Jo Jessee added, *"It's a great and quiet place to go to study for all those tests you forgot about."*

Fossil Fact
In 1961, there were only three people allowed to a library table.

Once they made it to the library, sophomores spent a different amount of time there depending on their reason for visiting. Some rushed in to check out a book quickly between classes, while others lounged there an entire study hall period. Matthew Barnette replied that he spent an average of *"20 minutes a day"* in the library.

Along with the differences in the amount of time spent there, sophomores went to the library all periods of the day. The most popular period, of course, was a sophomore's study hall period; however, they could also be found in the library during English and foreign language class periods researching reports or before school just socializing. Jason Helbert said he most often was found in the library, *"during fourth period."*

When sophomores came to the library to study, they spent many hours there pouring over computers and books for whichever class they needed the extra cram time. Audrea Sanders admitted she used most of her library time *"studying Algebra II."*

Whether they were there to study or get away from it all, sophomores found solace in the school library. Times had certainly changed over the years: in 1961 students could only go to the library to read the paper or check out a book. The library had definitely become a quiet getaway.

Time Out! Take a Quiz

1. During what year was the library built?

A. 1948
B. 1949
C. 1950
D. 1951

2. How much did it cost to make copies in the library?

A. $ .05
B. $ .10
C. $ .15
D. $ .20

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Jessica Amburgey

Matthew Ball

Ashley Banner

Jesse Barnette

Heidi Bartee

Anthony Beavers

Travis Booker

Melissa Boyd

Cindy Bradley

Matt Brooks

Asten Buckles

Jessica Cain

Lukas Carpenter

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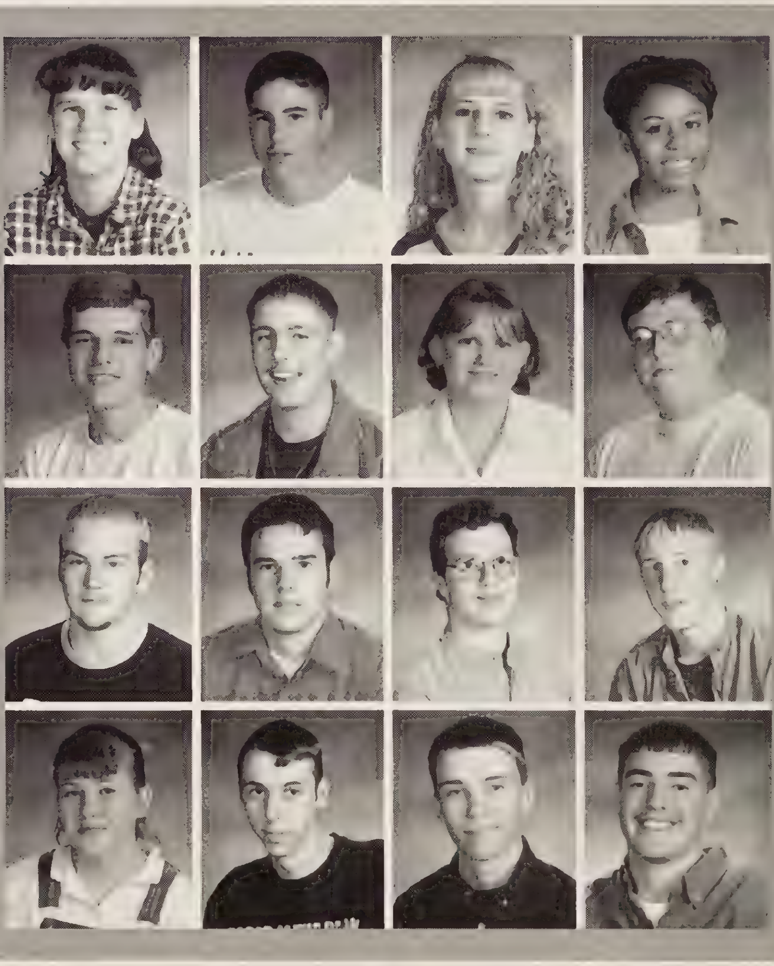


In For the Long Haul

Juniors Answered the Question: "What Makes YOU a Good Friend?"

What makes you a good friend? *Webster's Dictionary* defined a friend as *"one who is attached to another by affection."* No matter how one interpreted or defined a friend, juniors knew that friends were an important part of any teenager's life. Friends were always there to lend a sympathetic ear, to gossip with, or to just hang out.

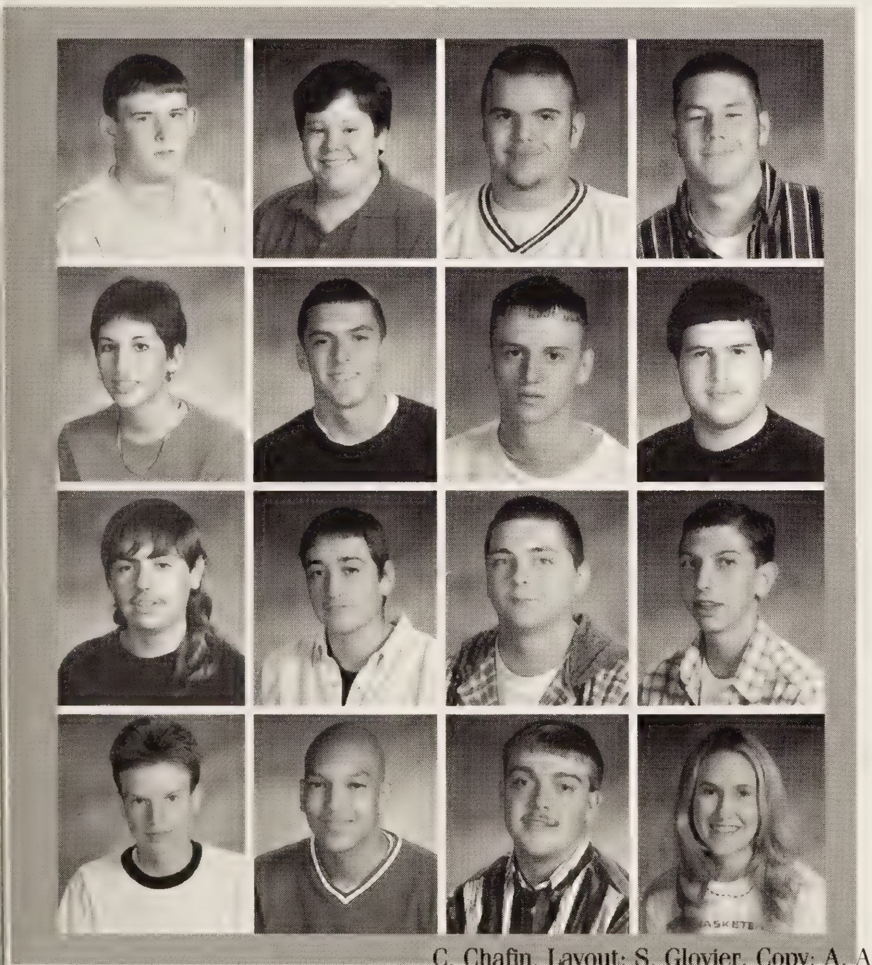
When some members of the junior class were asked, "What makes you a good friend?" most thought they made good friends because they thought they could be depended upon through the good and bad times.

◀**Friends till the end** . . . Juniors Matt Justice and Cody Ervin walk the fairgrounds. Friends took advantage of Fair Day to hang out and enjoy time away from school.

Junior Heidi Bartee responded, *"I'm a great friend because I'm always there when people need me."* Junior Travis Jessee similarly added, *"I'm a great friend because I'm reliable and dependable, and my friends can always count on me."*

Most members of the junior class understood that in order to maintain a relationship with a good friend, they first had to be good friends themselves. They knew that by being a good friend, they were in for the long haul.

Fossil Fact
From 1965-70, only upperclasmen friends could cruise upstairs.



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Cody Ervin
Eric Ervin
William Fields

Louise Gibson
Eric Glovier
Adam Gross
Roy Hall

Gary Halloway
Jason Halloway
Chris Hamilton
Andrew Hensley

Travis Hicks
Derrick House
Travis Jessee
Valerie Jessee

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Michael Johnson

Matt Justice

Rebecca Keen

Chase King

Kelly King

James Kring

Chris Light

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Ezra McClellan

B.J. McMillan

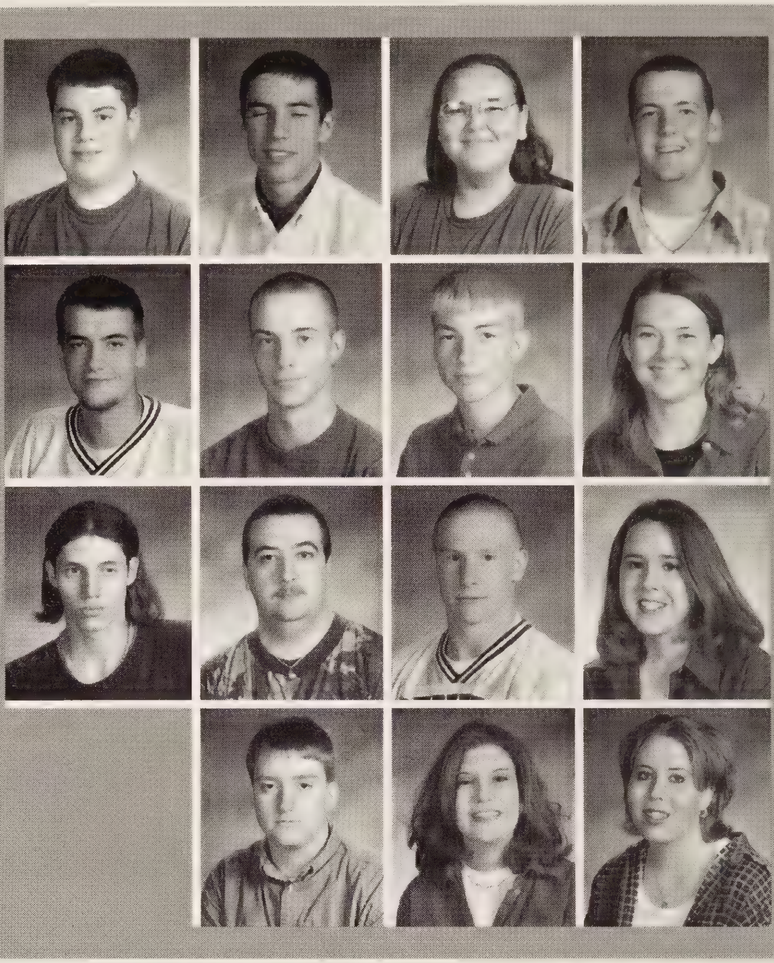
Ryan McDaniel

Jessica McReynolds

Jason Meade

Rachel Meade

Shawna Meade



Rockin' the HALLS

Juniors Knew How to Take Advantage of Hall Time

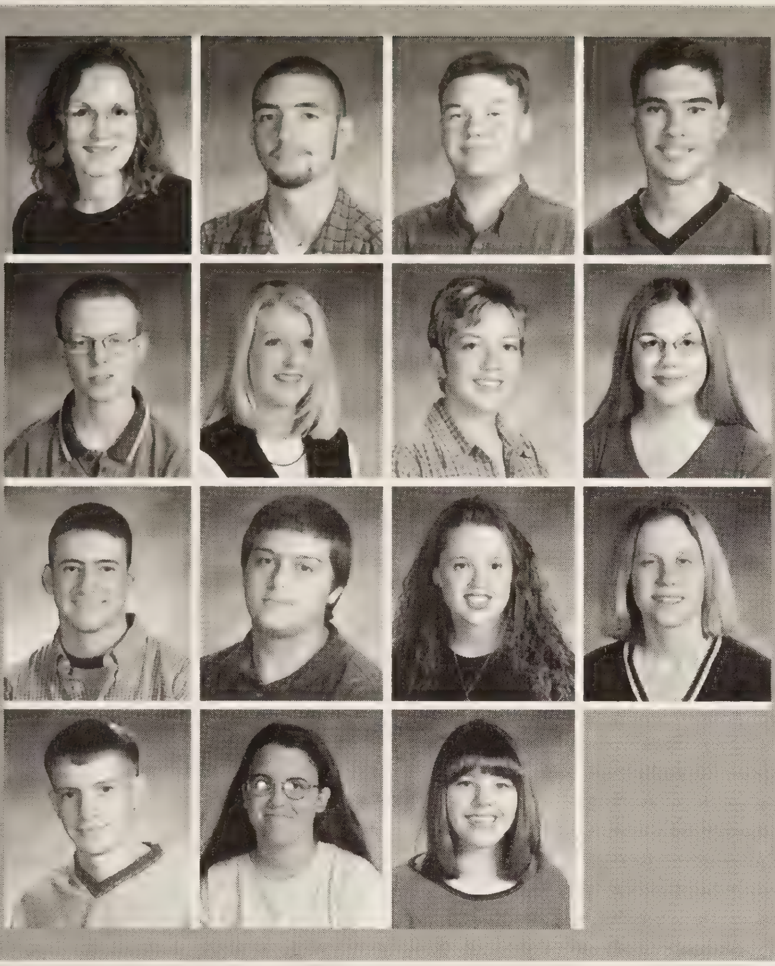
Hey! Who did you say you went out with this weekend? Who's party did you go to?

As individuals passed different groups of juniors loitering in the halls, they would definitely hear many different conversations going on at once. Juniors were always using time in the halls to their advantage. When some members of the junior class were asked, "When do you hang out in the halls and what do you do?," most responded in the same way. Jessica McReynolds stated, *"I hang out in the halls in the mornings and talk to my friends."* Lukas Carpenter had other things on his mind as he said, *"I hang out in the halls every morning with my girlfriend."*

Although most juniors preferred to hang out in the halls in the mornings, this did not mean there was not a flurry of activities throughout the day. Between classes, juniors were trying to juggle books, notebooks, and pens while trying to find their assignments. After school, juniors could be seen unwinding in the halls before driving home or going to practice.

Fossil Fact
From 1960-63, only 3 people could walk the halls together at a time.

Juniors knew exactly how to manage classes, friends, and assignments and still found the time to hang out in the halls and relax.



Monica Milgrim

Ray Mullins

Cole Osborne

Derick Phillips

Chase Porter

Amy Puckett

Danielle Sargent

Brandie Sproles

Jes Stacy

Josh Steffey

Amanda Taylor

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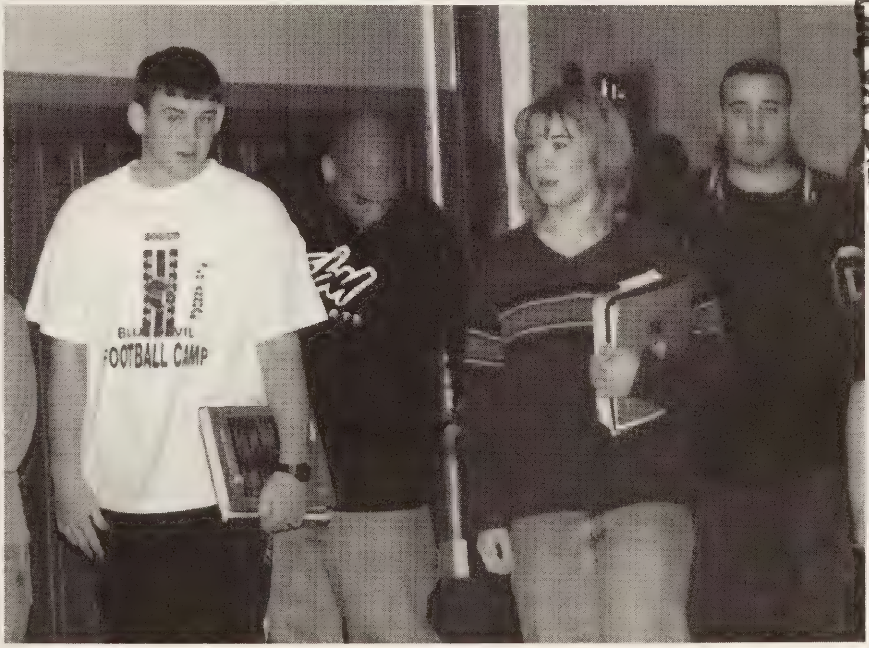

◄ **Is anybody out there?** . . . Junior Amanda Taylor excitedly, yet cautiously, peers into the hall outside Coach Shortt's classroom. When the bell rang, students quickly exited the halls and entered the rooms to avoid the tardy bell.

▲**Can't you keep up?** . . . Junior Matt Dye slows down in the hall across from the guidance office to anxiously wait for fellow Junior Derrick House as Seniors Carmen Smith and Thomas Barton join them.

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Rock -N- Road

Cars Gave Seniors a Taste of Freedom

The windows were down; the stereo was full blast; but, it was only eight o'clock in the morning! This was the scene as most Seniors headed off to school. The freedom of a new car was thrilling; however, this freedom came with tons of responsibility. Seniors quickly learned that cars were not toys, and that speeding tickets were *not* jokes. They soon became aware that gas did cost money, and that **STOP** did not simply mean slow down. Despite the numerous responsibilities, driving to school had several advantages.

For example, there was more time in the mornings and no more waiting outside for the bus. As Amanda Johnson put it *"Driving to school means being able to sleep later, and best of all not having to ride the bus."* Most agreed that additional time was a huge benefit of driving.

Fossil Fact Students could not drive if a bus went by their house in the 60's.

Seniors loved their freedom to drive and were ready to hit the road.

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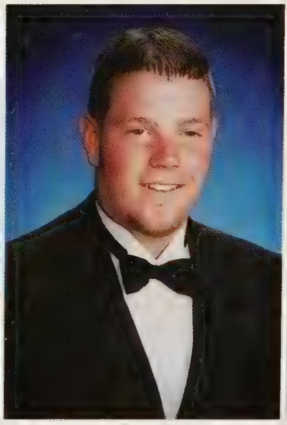
Amy Beth Bartee

Thomas Matthew Barton

David Michael Beavers

Brandi Lainett Booker



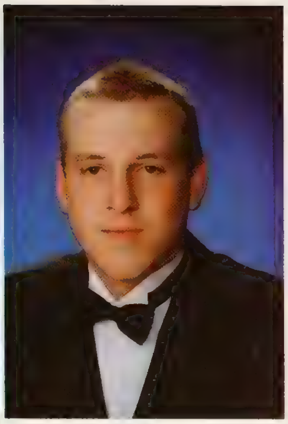
Joshua Thomas Bradley

Helen Melinda Breeding

◄**Washed and waxed . . .** Senior Matthew Hileman works diligently on washing a car at his job at Bostic Ford in St. Paul. Keeping a clean, shining car ran into money as even a basic wash cost as much as two dollars.

Elizabeth Danielle Burke

Brandon Spencer Bush



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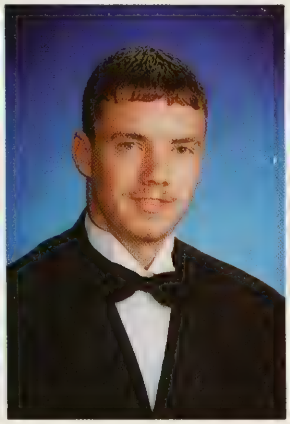

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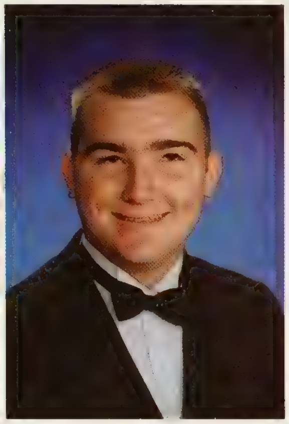

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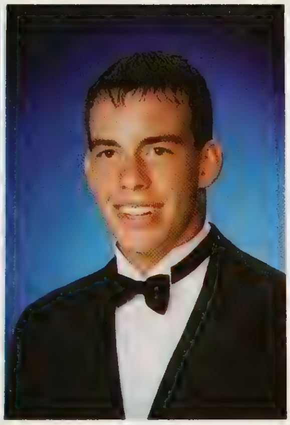

James Tanner Dotson

Chad Leslie Fields

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Stepping Out In Style

Attention Class of 2000! As the first class of the new millenium you are cordially invited to attend a special gala in you honor in Las Vegas, Nevada on the first day of January. Please make the necessary arrangements to attend.

Upon receiving this invitation, the Senior Class began hustling to make preparations to go to the dazzling banquet in thei honor. Coach Poole and Mrs. Cassell instructed Shonna Glovier and Jessica Hogg to immediately fix a letter to RSVP. committee consisting of Amy Bartee, Travis Hall, Jamie Honaker, Stephanie Jessee, and Thomas Barton was put in charge o transportation. It was unanimously decided that the class would fly first class to Las Vegas and then be escorted to the gala via stretch limousines. Mrs. Wallace put Evan Heard, Pamela Steele, Shane Lambert, and Jessica McColley in charge of finding a hotel to accommodate all the Seniors. Chad Fields had an uncle who owned a four-star hotel just outside of Las Vegas, so he generously decided to pull some strings.

After weeks of planning, the day finally arrived for the Senior Class to depart. Ashley Addington, Angela Townes, Chad Hamblin, and Toni Kantsos were all extremely apprehensive about boarding the plane. However, after much persuasion by Chad Smith, Misty Dean, Ashley Mays, and Heather Salyers, they agreed that they would not let a plane keep them from being a part of the special honor that awaited them.

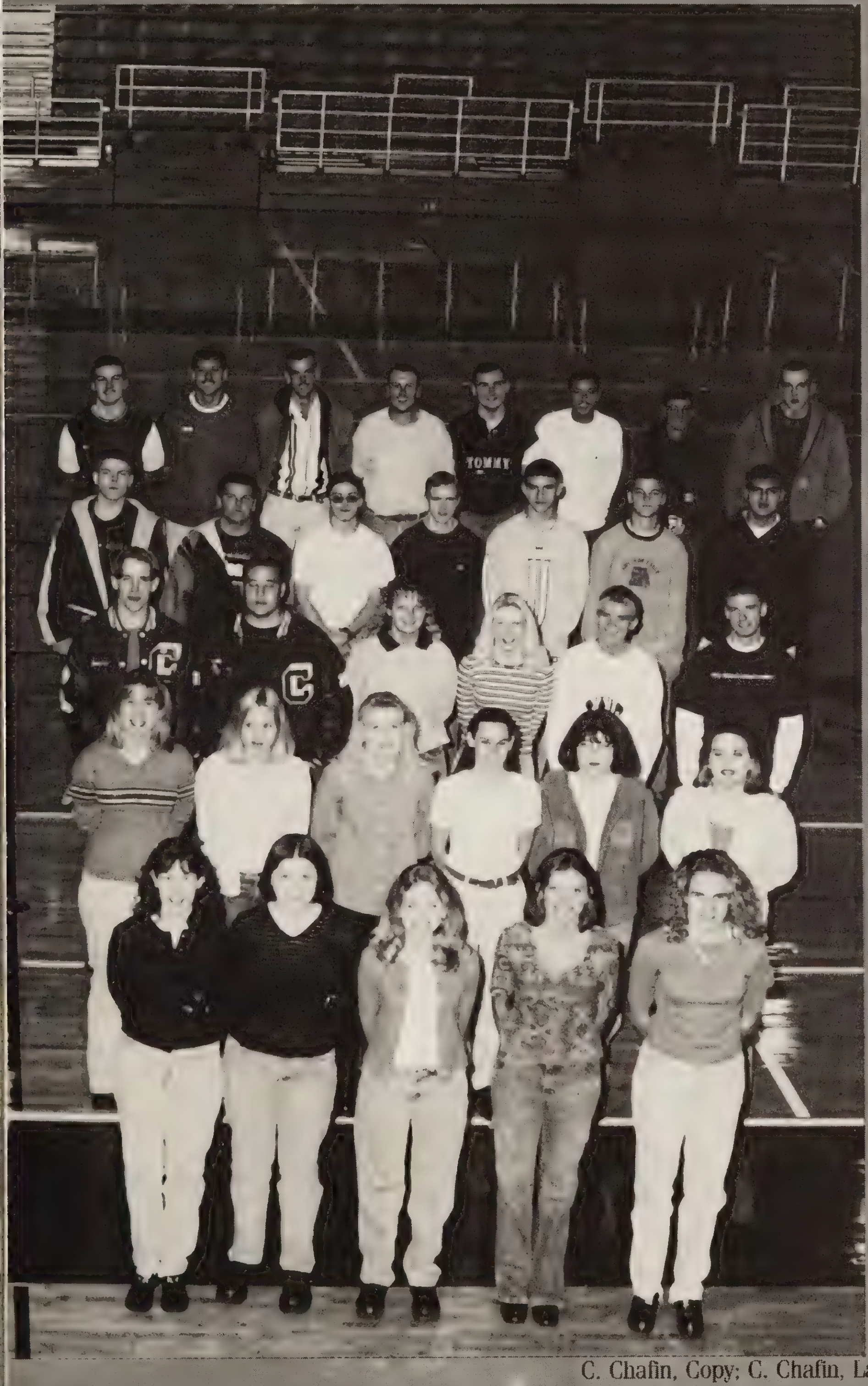
On the plane ride, Jeff Stevens, Ricky Neece, Drew Meade, Bonnie Mullins, Shannon Fields, Eric Holbrook, and Carmen Smith entertained the group by playing charades and singing.

Finally, the plane landed at the Las Vegas Airport. Shane Kenyon, Amy Phillips, Crystal Keith, and Travis Nash promptly misplaced their luggage. Luckily for them, Lorena Kiser, Josh Riddle, Brandon Neece, and Kim Salyers had accidentally picked up their own luggage in addition to the lost luggage.

The Class of 2000 Knew How to Leave Their Mark

(A Short Story)

Heath Francis, David Beavers, Matthew Hileman, Josh Carpenter, and Joe Chafin went outside the airport to locate the limos. Robert Frazier, Jarred Glass, Bert Holbrook, and Doug Jessee generously helped everyone get their things into the limos. Mrs. Allen, Amanda Johnson, Amy Jones, Janet Horne, and Rebecca Meade did a quick head count to make sure that no one was left behind. After a short ride to the hotel, Katherine Kiser, Melissa Collins, and April Hicks checked everyone in at the reception desk. McKinsey Huff and Lijah Robinson anxiously reminded the class that they must be ready by 7:00 P.M. in order to make it to the gala. Coach Roberson told Courtney Jessee, Justin Worley, and Chasity Chafin to assign the groups into separate rooms as everyone dashed off to get ready.



Michael Sutherland and David Crabtree could not find their tuxes, and Ashley Vanover, Renee Kilbourne and Danielle Holbrook seemed to have misplaced their evening gowns. However, Eli Hancock, Melinda Breeding, and Danielle Burke located the missing items. Tanner Dotson, Brandon Bush, and Lucas Holbrook were among the first to get ready, so they helped Cameron Hall and Josh Bradley speed things up by helping them unpack and get their tuxes ready. Everyone was waiting as the last of the group, Greta Jessee, Brandon Miller, Caleb Cook, and Jessica Kiser, came running down the stairs. Mr. McCoy rushed the class into the limos while Michael Patrick, Danny Jessee, and Brandon Hughes gave the drivers directions, and Amber Jessee, Carrie Fields, and Brandi Booker got everyone's admittance tickets ready. At last, they made it to the long awaited gala!

As everyone was escorted out of the limousines, it appeared as if one detail had gone unnoticed: the fact that everyone looked marvelous! Between the elegant gowns, the tuxes, and the limos, the first class of the new millenium was accepting their honors and **stepping out in style!**

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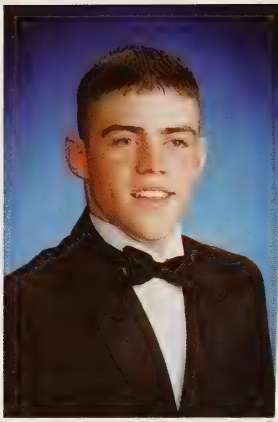
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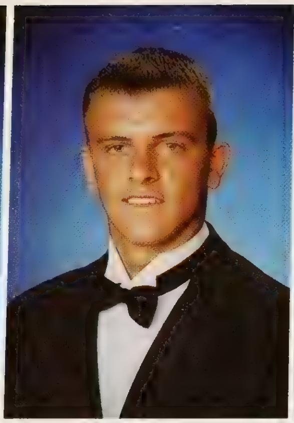
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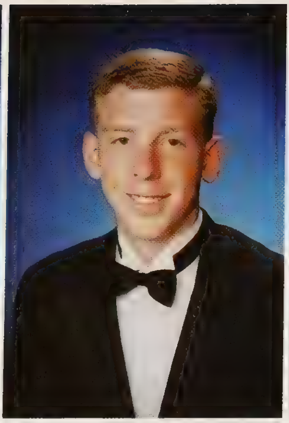
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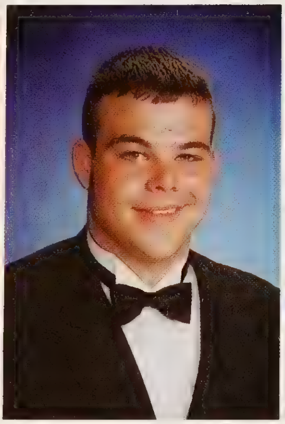
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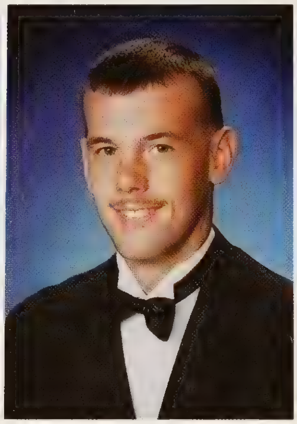
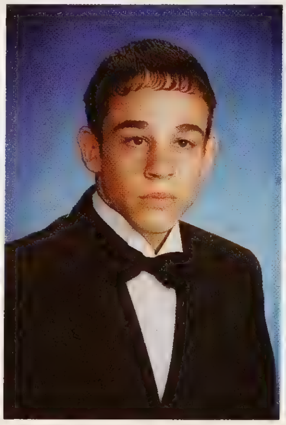

Travis Speedy Hall

George Chad Hamblin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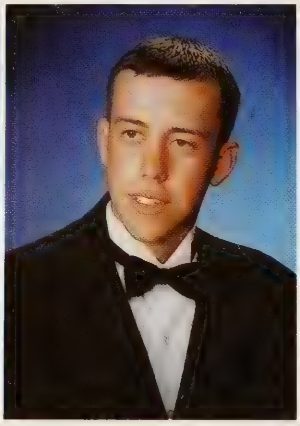
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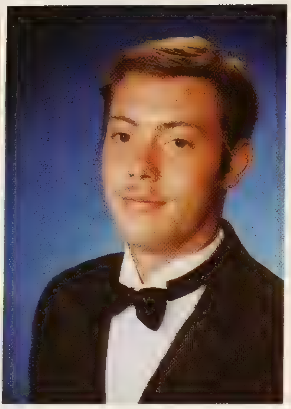

James Brandon Hughes

Courtney Lee Jessee

PAW PRINTS Seniors Shared Canine Pet Stories

Fetch! . . . Good boy! . . . These were only two of the many phrases of Senior dog owners. Seniors learned that dogs were all-around good pets. When no one else was there to listen, man's best friend was. However, as Shane Lambert pointed out, sometimes they listened **too** closely. *"Every time I try to sneak out, my dog Diesel barks and wakes up my parents!"*

From collies to poodles, Seniors had a "mixed-breed" of dogs, and found the ones they needed to suit their personality. Cameron Hall jokingly characterized his Doberman Pincher by saying, *"Zeus is a pretty good dog when I can keep him from eating small children!"*

Regardless of the breed, or disposition, these dogs were loved by their Senior owners!

Fossil Fact In 1991, the Yearbook staff had a black cat named Ki-Ki.

◄**Good boy** . . . Senior Josh Bradley spends some quality time with his adorable puppy, Beau. Beau, a new member of the Bradley household, was a five month old blue heeler.

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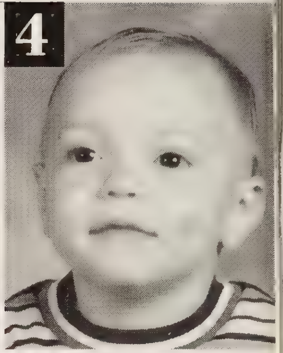
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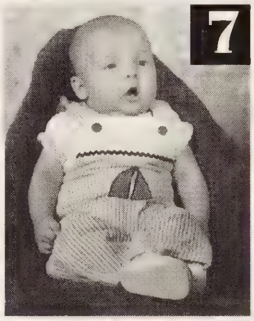
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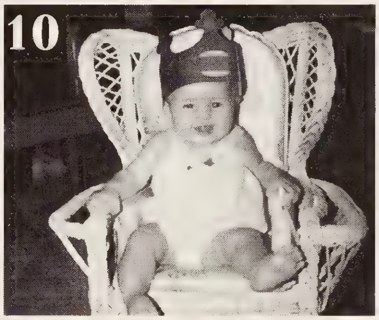
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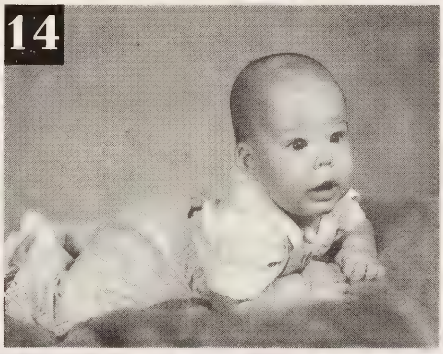
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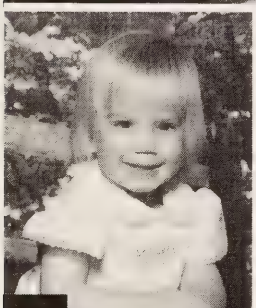
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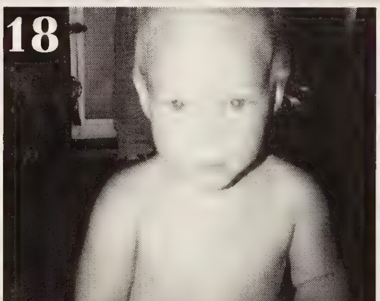
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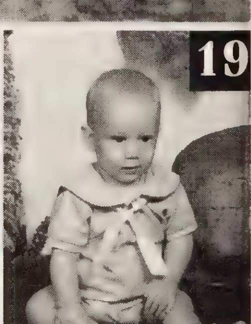
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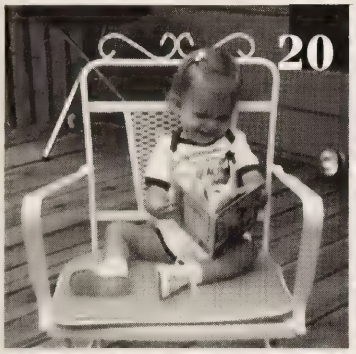
Shake, Rattle, & Roll

The Senior Class Shared Baby Picture Memories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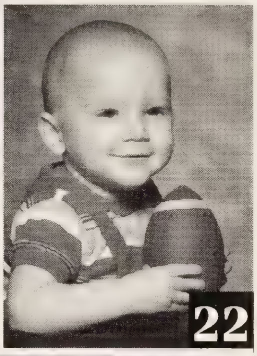
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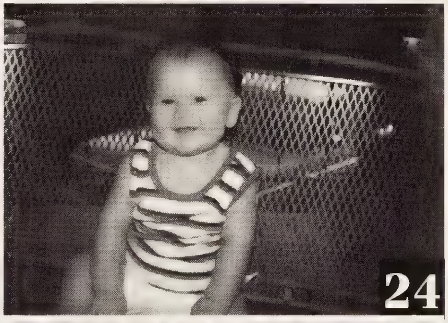
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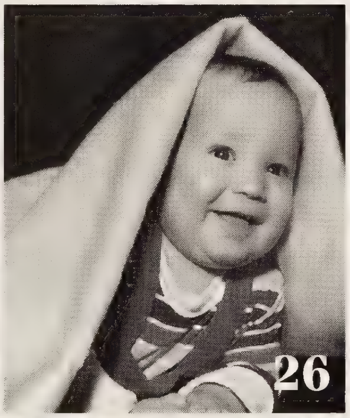
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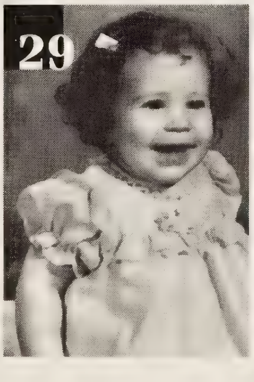
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Ohhh, how cute! Look at all these precious babies! These sweet and innocent faces could not have been the same faces found in the Senior Class. But, it was true. Seniors were once cute and cuddly, and these pictures surely do prove it! They looked back on their childhoods from time to time, and baby pictures were always there to remind each of them how much fun he or she had.

A few Seniors decided to share some favorite baby picture moments. Traditionally, there was always the picture of baby with Santa Claus. Doug Jessee recalled, *''When I was a little kid my parents took me to the mall to see Santa, and when I was sitting on his lap, his beard fell off and I've been traumatized ever since.''*

Fossil Fact

Placing a baby picture in the yearbook was a tradition started in 1997.

Of course, there were always the naked baby pictures that parents loved to show off to dates. And how could anyone forget the first birthday pictures with cake and ice-cream spread everywhere? When Shonna Glovier was asked what her most memorable baby picture was, she replied, *''Where I'm holding my dog Tramp. Tramp was my favorite pet, and when he died my parents told me that he ran away to Disney World.''*

Whether it was bittersweet or humiliating, everyone enjoyed reminiscing the ''good old days'' with one another. So take a look and see if you can figure out which cute little baby is which Senior. Good luck!

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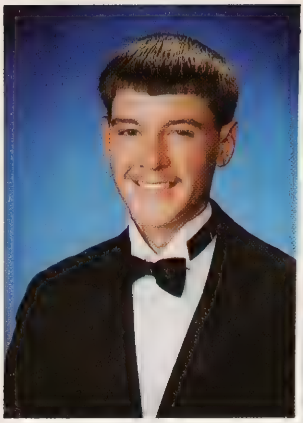
►Sleeping like a log . . . Senior Justin Worley sleeps despite a shaving cream surprise. Journalism members spent Halloween weekend in Richmond attending workshops and the VHSL Competition.



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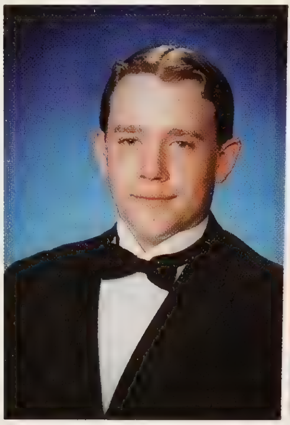
Greta Lynn Jessee

Amanda Leigh Johnson

Amy Nicole Jones

Toni Marie Kantsos

Crystal Dawn Keith



Shane Davis Kenyon

Jessica Nicole Kiser

Katherine Evon Kiser

Lorena Ann Kiser

Trip or Treat

Trips Gave Seniors a Break from the Routine

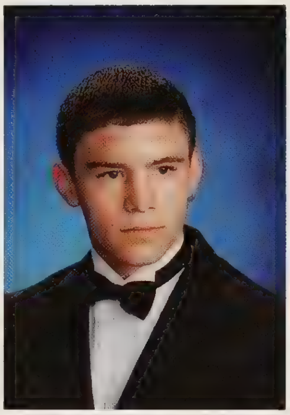
It was 8:45 A.M. All eyes in the classroom were on the clock. These eyes belonged to the members of the Senior Class as they eagerly awaited a field trip. Granted, these trips were limited; however, Seniors took advantage of every opportunity to visit anything, especially colleges.

Naturally, college life was not the only "culture" these Seniors were interested in experiencing. Seniors had varying answers when asked *"If you could go anywhere in the world as a class, where would you go and why?"* *"New York. 'Cause I love big cities and there's a lot of shopping to do!,"* responded Carmen Smith. Most agreed that any "vacation" would be enjoyed.

Whether the trips were real or imaginary, Seniors relished breaks from their classes. Besides, the entire adventure of high school had been one great trip itself!

Fossil Fact

The Class of 1973 took their Senior Trip to the Barter Theater.



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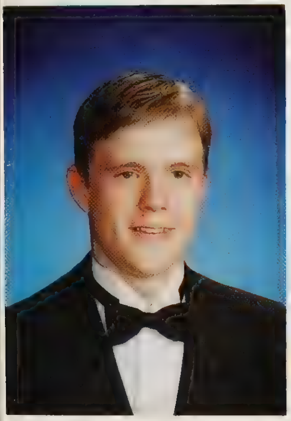

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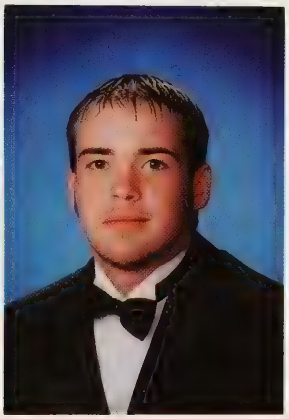
Rebecca Lee Meade



Brandon Keith Miller

Bonnie Lynn Mullins

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Boulder than Most

Senior Superlative Winners Stood Out

The Senior Class was composed of a variety of individuals. While each person had his or her own style, fellow classmates came together to decide which Seniors had earned Superlative Honors.

Carmen Smith, who always had something up her sleeve; and Cameron Hall, who could make even the gravest situation hilarious; were voted *"Wittiest"*. If Carmen and Cameron were around, laughter was sure to be nearby.

Jessica Hogg and Jeff Stevens had earned the title of *"Most Talented"* by displaying their incredible artistic abilities. No one ever knew what masterpieces these two would bring out next and were often pleasantly surprised.

Ashley Addington and Josh Bradley were awarded the challenging honor of being *"Most Athletic."* These two in shape Seniors had tried just about every sport, from baseball to track and field.

The *"Most School Spirited"* Superlative Honor went to Courtney Jessee and Chad Hamblin. These two die-hard fans could always be seen at athletic events sporting their blue and white.

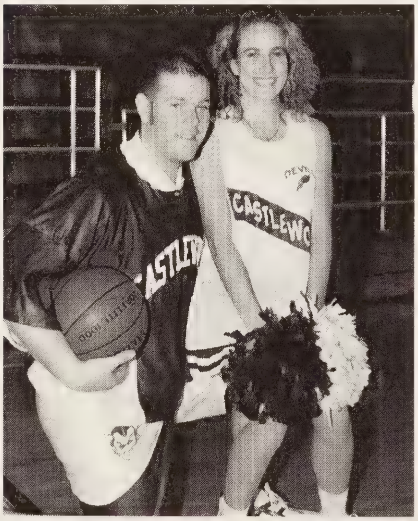
Ashley Vanover and Travis Nash were selected as *"Friendliest."* Never without a smile, Ashley and Travis were forever offering a friendly hello to anyone they passed in the hall.

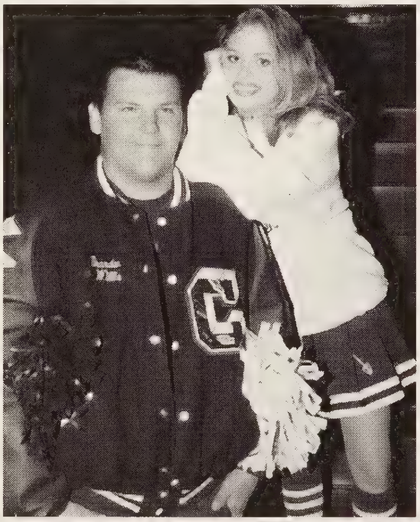
These ten members of the Senior Class, through their own individualism, left a mark on their fellow classmates and proved that their unique personalities truly made them bolder than most.

Fossil Fact

The Class of 1961 was the first Senior Class to vote for Superlatives.

►**Superstars** . . . These ten Superlatives manage to find the time to relax in the new gym foyer for a quick picture.





"It takes a true athlete to participate in nine sports."
— Josh Bradley, Most Athletic

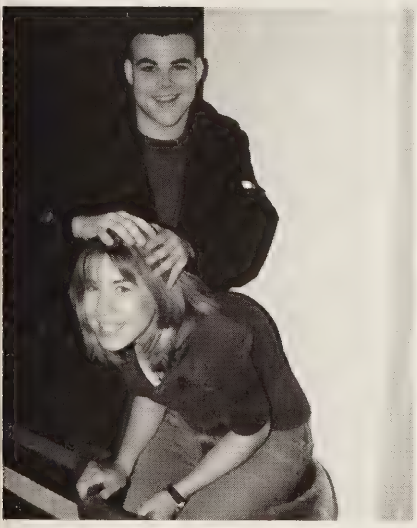
"Josh is one of those people who has an athletic gift. He excels in every sport he participates."
— Ashley Addington, Most Athletic

"Courtney is energetic and spirited all the time."
— Chad "Buzz" Hamblin, Most School Spirited

"There is only one word to describe school spirit, "Buzz"!"
— Courtney Jessee, Most School Spirited

"Jeff's abilities never cease to amaze me."
— Jessica Hogg, Most Talented

"Jessica is gifted, artistic, and will go far in life."
— Jeff Stevens, Most Talented



"There is never a dull moment when Carmen is around!"
— Cameron Hall, Wittiest

"Cameron's personality keeps everybody smiling!"
— Carmen Smith, Wittiest

"Ashley always knows how to put a smile on your face."
— Travis Nash, Best Personality

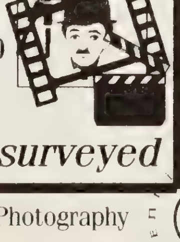
"Travis is one of the sweetest people I know, and he is always there to lend a shoulder."
— Ashley Vanover, Best Personality

If you created a new Superlative exclusively for yourself, what would it be?

Most Likely to Become a Millionaire, 70%

Best Dancer, 12%

Best Actor/Actress, 18%



**50 Seniors surveyed*

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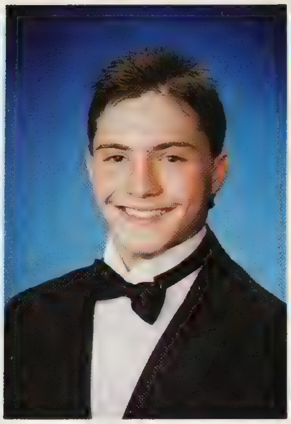
Travis Lee Nash



Brandon Kalem Neece

Ricky David Neece

Michael Eugene Patrick

Amy Nicole Phillips

Joshua Edward Riddle

Lijah Daniel Robinson

Paving the Way Into the Future

Working Seniors Got a Taste of the Real World

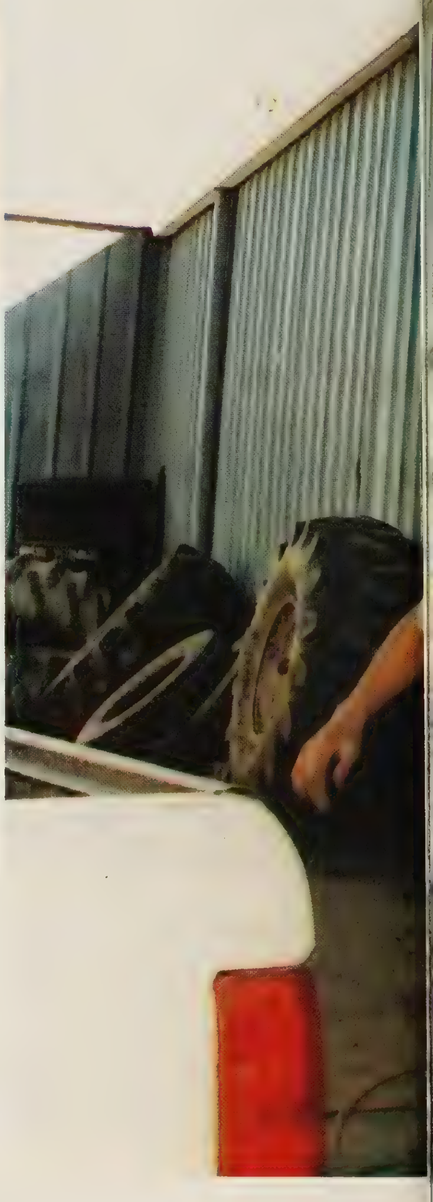
"Oh no, not a test tomorrow! I have to work tonight!" Seniors that held down a job quickly learned how hard it was to manage time and not neglect schoolwork. It was this hard task that gave these industrious Seniors a sneak peak into the "real" world.

While the reasons for working varied, most agreed that money was on top of the list. Lijah Robinson admitted, *"I like money; therefore, I work."* Lijah, along with four other Seniors, worked at Food City.

Whether they were bagging groceries or detailing cars, Seniors gained from their working experiences. They learned how to deal with the public and answer to their bosses. There was no "make-up" time in the real world, nor was there any extra credit. Seniors were definitely on the fast track towards the future - like it or not!

Fossil Fact

Starting in 1981, students could check out half a day to work.

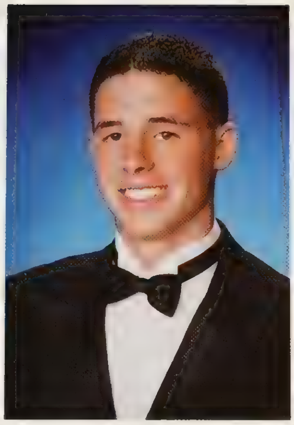


►**Rolling along** . . . Senior Travis Hall works on loading a tire at Tri-County Tire in St. Paul for extra money and experience.

Heather Nicole Salyers

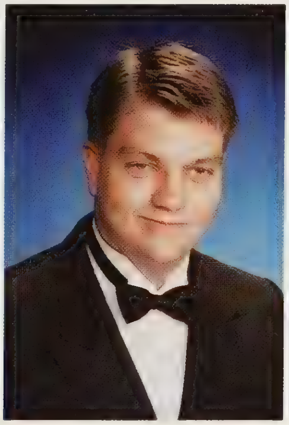
Kimberly Renea Salyers

Carmen Nicole Smith

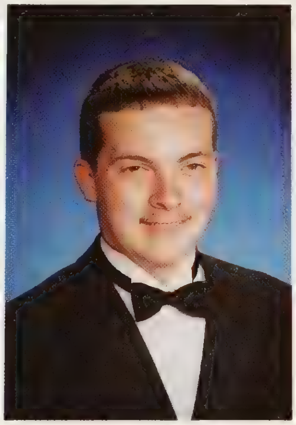


Chad Leland Smith

Pamela Jane Steele



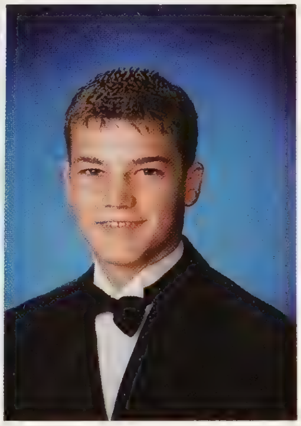
Jeffery Craig Stevens



Michael Eugene Sutherland

Angela Dawn Townes

Ashley Nicole Vanover



Justin Brent Worley

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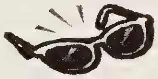
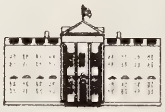
If you were picking a unique Superlative for your best friend, what would it be?

Best Hair, 18%



Most Likely to Become Famous, 52%

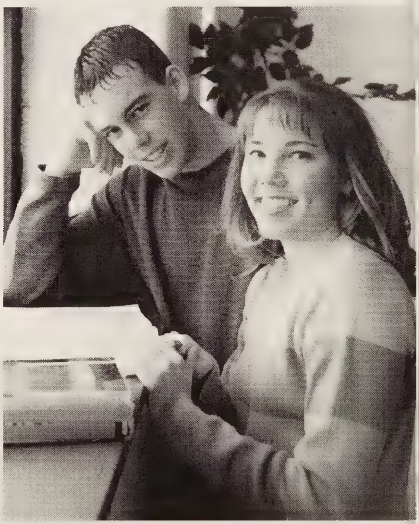
Most Likely to Run for President, 30%



**50 Seniors surveyed*

"Chasity's diligent work ethic and great personality has allowed and will allow her to achieve whatever she sets her mind to."
— Michael Sutherland, Most Likely to Succeed

"Michael has proven that he accepts and conquers challenges; with this attitude he will succeed in all he pursues."
— Chasity Chafin, Most Likely to Succeed



"Kinsey is one of the most determined students in our school."
— Tanner Dotson, Most Studious

"Even though Tanner is one of the most intelligent students in the Senior Class, he still has to study!"
— McKinsey Huff, Most Studious

Rock Solid Impressions

Senior Superlative Winners Left Their Mark

While each member of the Senior Class was unique in his or her own way, some Seniors seemed to stand out in the minds of their fellow comrades.

Lorena Kiser, who appeared to be the most well-rounded Senior, shared the title of *"Best All Around"* with the ever-smiling Chad Fields. These were two individuals who were sure to make the best out of any situation.

Labeled as *"Most Dependable,"* everyone knew he or she could count on Melinda Breeding and Brandon Bush. Fellow classmates knew that if they found themselves in a tight situation, Melinda and Brandon would come through for them.

Katherine Kiser and Doug Jessee's timid dispositions earned them the rank of *"Shiest."* Rather than boldly speaking out, these two Seniors were often seen quietly smiling with groups of friends.

◄**Super Seniors** . . . These ten Superlatives hang out in the new gym foyer to pose for their Superlative picture.

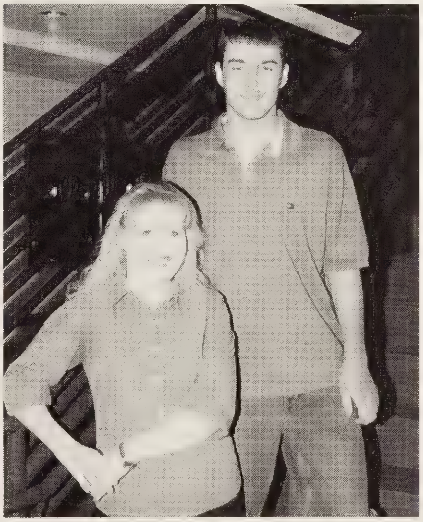
Chasity Chafin and Michael Sutherland stuck out in their peers' minds as the two individuals who were *"Most Likely to Succeed."* Regardless of the career path Chasity and Michael chose, their friends knew they would excel.

Guaranteed to be found studying upstairs in the library before school, McKinsey Huff and Tanner Dotson were voted *"Most Studious."* It was obvious these two devoted Seniors took their school work very seriously.

Fossil Fact

In 1961, Freida Vencill and Bryce Castle were "Most Intellectual."

From dependability to shyness, these ten individuals left lasting impressions on each member of the Senior Class. It was obvious that the mark these Superlative Winners left would not soon be forgotten.



"Lorena is one of the sweetest people I know."
— Chad Fields, Best All Around

"Chad keeps the whole class smiling!"
— Lorena Kiser, Best All Around

"Melinda is always there when you need her."
—Brandon Bush, Most Dependable

"You can always count on Brandon."
— Melinda Breeding, Most Dependable

"Even though Katherine does not talk a lot, she is still hardworking and friendly."
— Doug Jessee, Shiest

"Even though Doug is quiet, he still has a wonderful personality."
—Katherine Kiser, Shiest

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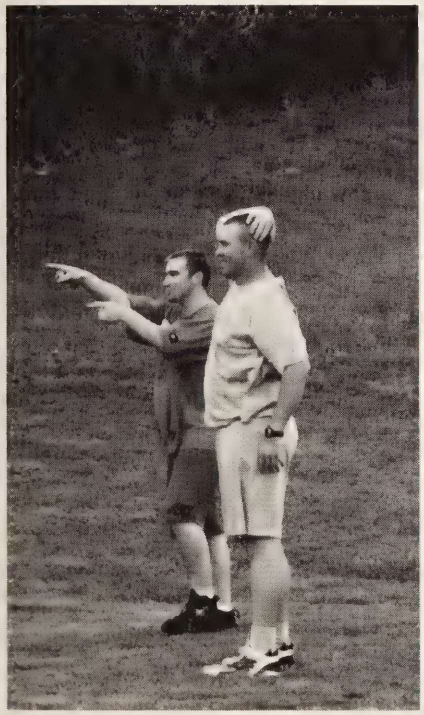
▼**What's that?** . . . Seniors Travis Nash, Heath Francis, and Chad Smith try to figure out just what is off to their right as they enjoy sitting on picnic tables during the Senior Picnic near the football field. Seniors could choose from a variety of activities from horseshoes to volleyball; or they could simply sit back and listen to a wide range of music which was provided by Barry Ruff.

▲ **Sand between the toes** . . . Seniors Courtney Jessee, Ashley Vanover, Jessica Hogg, and Greta Jessee group up before a big game of volleyball after lunch during the Senior Picnic. Even though Greta was the only person in this group to have played volleyball in high school, winning was not key; the real game plan was to have fun!

► **Yum, yum** . . . Senior Evan Hearl obviously enjoys his delicious meal of steak, baked potato, and a roll. Few would dispute the fact that the scrumptious meal prepared by Coach Poole, Coach Roberson, and Mr. McCoy was the highlight of the day.

◀ **Too good for words** . . . This group of Senior girls: Katherine Kiser, Janet Horne, Pamela Steele, and Rebecca Meade, are speechless as they savor their delicious meals. While the traditional Senior Day Picnic food of steaks, baked potatoes, and rolls were still on the menu, an additional food item was added. This year, upon request of several Seniors, Coach Poole arranged for boneless chicken breasts to be prepared. This tender chicken was grilled with lemon pepper sauce and Italian seasoning to add a zesty flavor.



▲ **You da man** . . . Senior Caleb Cook congratulates his horseshoe partner for scoring a "ringer" while Senior Michael Patrick looks on in dismay as he realizes that his team is behind.

Cutting Loose

Seniors Kicked Back After Planning For Senior Day

While Spring brought about a flurry of activities for Seniors, perhaps the most anticipated was the traditional Senior Day. Like all great events, this day would not have been the success it was without much preparation and planning.

From selling Cokes to working the concession stands at sporting events, the Senior class rallied together to produce the sufficient funds for the picnic which cost an estimated $2,000.

Refreshments were on everyone's mind. Steaks, baked potatoes, hamburgers, salads, and drinks were a picnic tradition with Coach Poole, Coach Roberson, and Mr. McCoy, all of whom helped in the grilling and preparing of the food.

When this drizzling day in May finally rolled around, Seniors cut loose as they realized that shortly following the Academic Awards, the sun peeped out through the clouds. Seniors hurriedly filed out to the football field to start the fun. Senior Jessica McCulley reflected, *"Senior Day was very unforgettable. I took lots of pictures and had fun hanging out with my friends."* Perhaps Senior Danielle Holbrook best summed it up when she commented, *"It was a well-deserved day that we have spent 13 years of hard work to get."*

Fossil Fact

In 1965, there was no Senior Day.

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Looking Ahead

Baccalaureate Prepared Seniors For the Future

Baccalaureate Services offered Seniors the chance to come together and share thoughts of hope and faith. Inspirational words of wisdom were offered to this group who were about to experience a whole new world as they left school. Members of the Senior Class were affected by the prayers of Rev. John Kiser and the words of Rev. Leonard Ferguson.

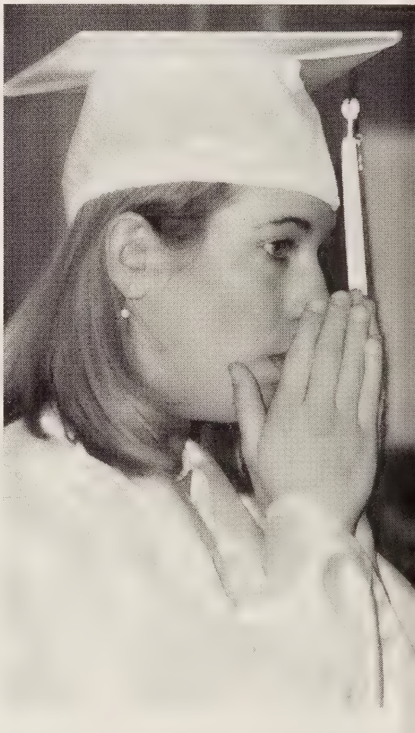
Another touching moment was when Senior Rebecca Meade sang an emotional version of "Amazing Grace." Rebecca's talent shined through and her years of dedication in choir class quickly became evident. Senior Carmen Smith enjoyed the song and replied, *"The most special part about Baccalaureate is that one of our own class members sang."*

When Senior Brandon Bush was asked what made it special to him, he proudly answered, *"My preacher from church gave the message."*

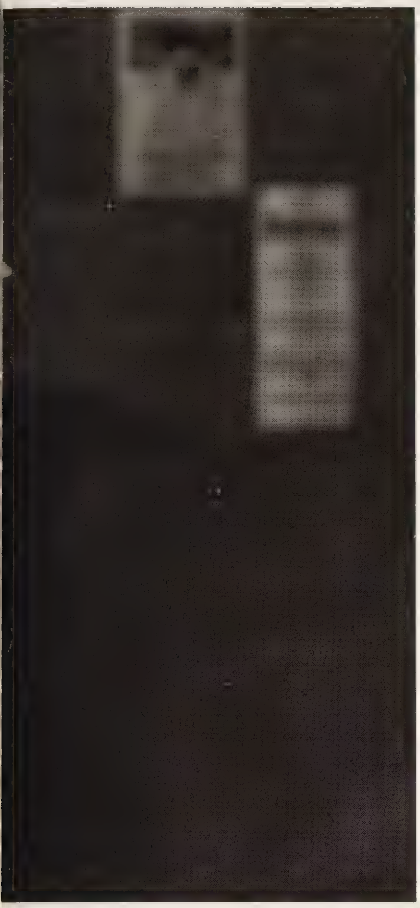
This service provided Seniors with the hope and serenity that they would need to face the new world outside of high school; whether it be starting college, a new job, or a new family. Each Senior left with the feeling of peace and a dream that they would be able to face tomorrow.

Fossil Fact

In 1973, the class flower was a red rose.



▲I'm not sure if I'm ready for this . . . Senior Carmen Smith pauses to collect her thoughts as she lines up in front of the auditorium before services begin. While entering the auditorium, Seniors marched in to the song "Pomp and Circumstance."



◀Poised and confident . . . Seniors Brandon Neece and Misty Dean wait calmly outside of the auditorium before Baccalaureate begins. Seniors were led by Junior Ushers Chase Porter and Misty Turner.

▼I hope this isn't wrinkled . . . Senior Josh Bradley reaches to straighten his gown as Senior Robert Frazier adjusts his tie outside of Mrs. Hackney's room before Sunday Baccalaureate Services.

▲A little chit chat . . . Seniors Stephanie Jessee, Amanda Johnson, and Ashley Mays talk among themselves before getting ready for the services. Girls dressed in Coach Poole's room and guys dressed in Mrs. Hackney's room.

▲What's up there? . . . Seniors Heath Francis and Josh Riddle anticipate their entrance into the auditorium before the Sunday services commence. The invocation and benediction was delivered by Reverend John A. Kiser, the grandfather of fellow Senior Justin Worley.

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Rolling to New Heights

Top Honor Seniors Set High Expectations

In every school there were those students who were extremely scholastic and concentrated fully on their studies. You know the ones. They were the first to raise their hands when the teacher asked a question. They always took the notes that no one else bothered to take, and they always knew just how to solve that problem in Trig that almost had you in tears.

Ten Seniors with the highest averages were honored for their work ethics. Senior Kim Salyers said,*"It makes you feel good to know that all of your hard work has paid off."*

These exceptional ten Seniors were admired and respected throughout high school due to the fact that they had great personalities, very lofty ambitions, and leadership qualities.

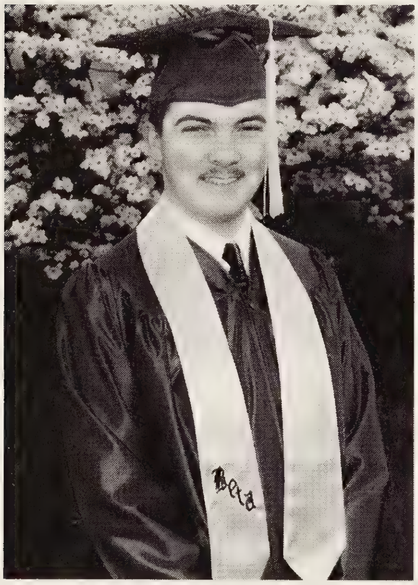
Even though sometimes it was overwhelming for these Seniors, they eventually realized that their diligence and sacrifices had been noticed. *"There were times when I wanted to pull my hair out because I had so much to deal with at school; however, I knew it was all worth it when I graduated,"* added Senior Chasity Chafin.

These top honor Seniors certainly proved they were the best of the best. Their top-notch examples and fearless leadership abilities would always linger in the halls and in the hearts of their classmates.

Fossil Fact

In 1977, there were 2 Valedictorians.

Chasity L. Chafin
Journalism/ Yearbook Staff - 2 years: Editor-in-Chief of Yearbook - 1 year; SADD Club - 3 years: Vice President - 1 year; SCA - 2 years; Ecology Club - 2 years; French Club - 3 years; Beta Club - 2 years: Vice President - 1 year; PAL's - 1 year; Basketball - 5 years; Forensics - 3 years; Participated in Envirothon; SVCC Governors School - 2 years; Recipient of DAR Good Citizen Award; AIMS Scholar; Sam Walton Scholarship; and WKPT Scholar Athlete of the Week. Chasity also served as Valedictorian of her class.



Michael Sutherland
Beta Club - 2 years; Student Cooperative Association - 1 year; Ecology Club - 1 year; French Club - 2 years; Forensic Team - 2 years; Speech and Drama - 1 year: One Act Play - 1 year; and Academic Team - 4 years: Captain - 3 years. Michael also won the Chemistry I Award.

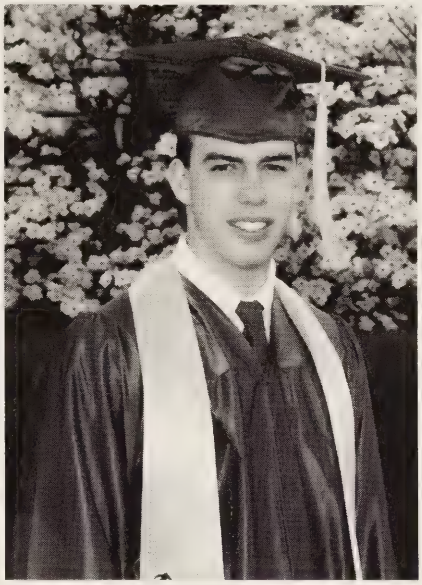
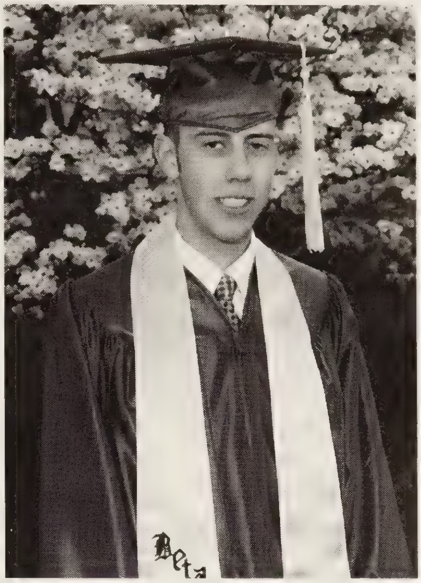
Shonna Glovier
Volleyball - 5 years: District and Region D Setter of the Year, Honorable Mention All-State Team; Football Cheerleader - 2 years: Captain - 1 year; Journalism/Yearbook Staff - 1 year; FBLA - 5 years: President - 1 year, Historian - 1 year; French Club - 3 years; SCA - 4 years; Participant in Envirothon; Beta Club - 2 years; Academic Team - 2 years; and AIMS Scholar. Shonna was also a member of *Who's Who Among American High School Students.*

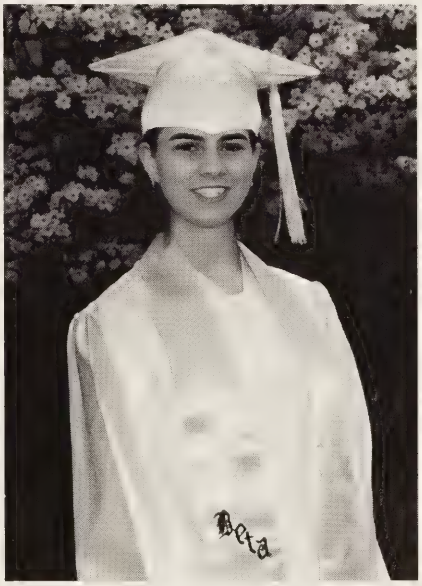
Amy Jones
Basketball - 5 years; Volleyball - 5 years: Honorable Mention All-District - 1 year; Softball - 5 years; Track Team - 2 years; Speech and Drama - 2 years; Journalism/Yearbook - 1 year; Forensic team - 1 year; SCA - 5 years: Secretary/Treasurer - 1 year; SADD - 2 years: Vice President - 1 year; French Club - 3 years; Beta Club — 2 years; Secretary/Treasurer of Junior Class; and Vice President of Freshman Class. Amy was also named as an AIMS Scholar.

McKinsey Huff
Basketball - 5 years; Softball - 3 years: All-District - 1 year, All-Region - 1 year; Track - 2 years; Golf - 1 year; Weightlifting - 3 years; Class Officer - 3 years; Beta Club - 2 years; FBLA - 5 years; SADD - 3 years; SCA - 5 years: Vice President - 1 year, President - 1 year; Ecology Club - 2 years; Pep Club - 1 year; French Club - 5 years; AIMS Scholar; Who's Who Among American High School Students; Governor's School; and 1999 Homecoming Spirit Queen. McKinsey was also the Salutatorian of her Senior Class.

Tanner Dotson
SCA - 3 years, Ecology Club - 2 years, Beta Club - 1 year; Future Business Leaders of America - 3 years; Spanish Club - 2 years; Football Team - 2 years: Captain - 1 year, 1st Team All-District - 1 year, 2nd Team All-Region - 1 year; Cross Country Team - 2 years; Track - 3 years; Vice President of Senior Class; Participant in Southwest Virginia Community College's Governor's School; and Who's Who Among American High School Students. Tanner also won the Chemistry Award, Spanish Award, and Geometry Award.

Evan Hearl
Cross Country Team - 4 years; Track Team - 3 years: 1st place at District Competition, (Mile Relay and the 800); Basketball - 4 years: First Team All-Districts - 1 year, Honorable Mention All-Region - 1 year, Honorable Mention All-Southwest Virginia- 1 year; Golf Team - 4 years: All-District - 1 year, All-Region - 1 year, District Champion - 1997; FBLA - 3 years; Ecology Club - 1 year; BETA - 1 year; Student Cooperative Association - 1 year; and AIMS Scholar. Evan was also the recipient of the Wendy's High School Heisman Award.



Amy Bartee
Ecology Club - 1 year; Member of Future Business Leaders of America - 2 years; French Club - 3 years; Beta Club - 2 years: Secretary/Treasurer - 1 year; Student Cooperative Association - 1 year; Academic Team - 3 years; Forensic Team - 4 years; Mock Trial Team - 4 years; and AIMS Scholar. Amy also won the National Science Merit Award from the United States Achievement Academy.

Kim Salyers
Kim transferred from Bluestone Senior High School in Mecklenburg, VA her junior year. Once transferred to CHS, Kim participated in the Ecology Club - 2 years; Future Business Leaders of America - 2 years: 1st Regional Accounting Competition, 3rd in Southwest Virginia Community College Accounting Competition; and was an AIMS Scholar. Kim also served as the Secretary/Treasurer of her Senior Class.

Jessica Kiser
Jessica was a member of Future Business Leaders of America - 2 years; French Club - 3 years; Spanish Club - 2 years; Beta Club - 1 year; and the Volleyball Team - 1 year. Jessica was also a member of Future Homemakers of America (FHA) for four years, and served as President of that club for two years.

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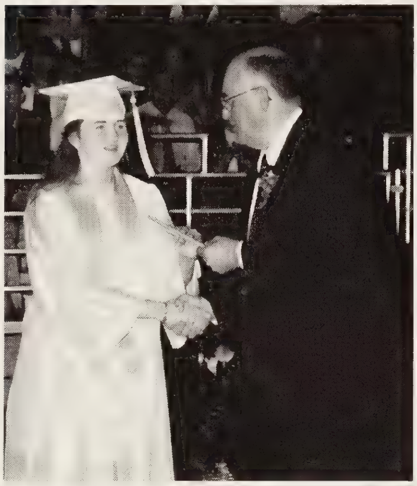
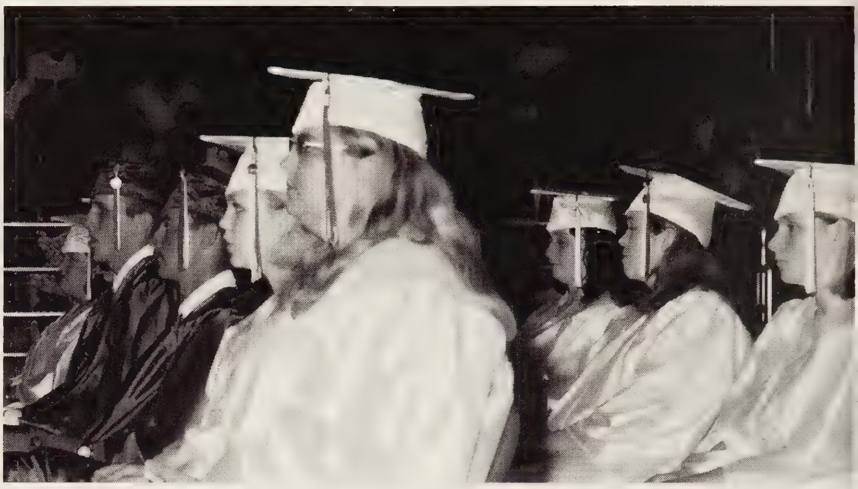
▼**Congratulations!** . . . Superintendent Mr. Larry Massie gives Senior Amy Bartee her diploma as she makes her way through the graduating line in the new gymnasium. Amy happily graduated with honors.

▼**Stone faced** . . . Seniors Jessica McCulley, Josh Carpenter, Doug Jessee, Heather Salyers Ashley Mays, Daisy Collins, Renee Kilbourne, and Stephanie Jessee listen carefully to one of the speeches given during graduation. Speakers included Mr. Glovier, Mr. Kiser, Mr. Massie Valedictorian Chasity Chafin, and Salutatorian McKinsey Huff. Among other special guests were school board members Mrs. Linda Cross, Mrs. Sonya Hillman, and Mr. Charlie Collins





Stepping Into the Unknown

Seniors Expressed Joys and Fears of Graduation

Worrying about what would come after graduation was one of the numerous fears that Seniors repeatedly thought about as they got closer to Graduation. Realizing that they soon would have to go to college or get a job, Seniors stressed out and were full of anxiety; however, working hard and getting ready for the obstacles seemed to be the easy part of graduating.

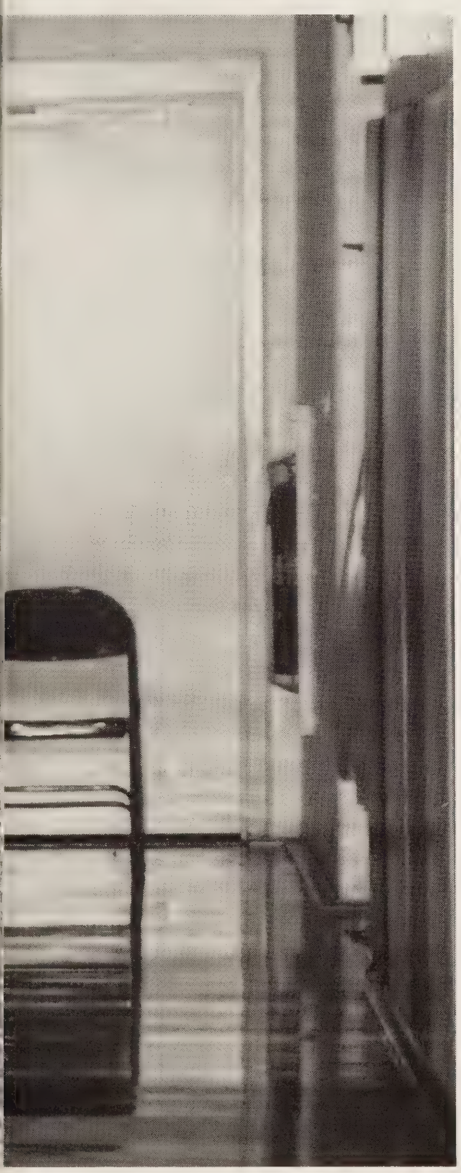
The hard part was saying goodbye to a place that had become like a second home and friends that had become like family. Senior Lorena Kiser said, *"Leaving high school is harder than I expected. Some of the students and teachers have become like family to me, and I will miss everyone so much."*

Although the Seniors knew that high school wouldn't last forever, they knew that the memories they would be taking with them would last a lifetime. Senior Amy Jones remarked, *"I will never forget the impact my friends have made in my life. They have taught me lessons that will remain in my heart forever."* Chad Fields agreed by saying, *"It's going to be hard to say goodbye to my friends after spending so many years with them."* For these Seniors, the friendships that had taken them thirteen years to build would forever be engraved in their hearts.

Even though graduating seemed to be the hardest thing they would ever do, the Seniors were glad that they faced the challenge with the people they cared about the most.

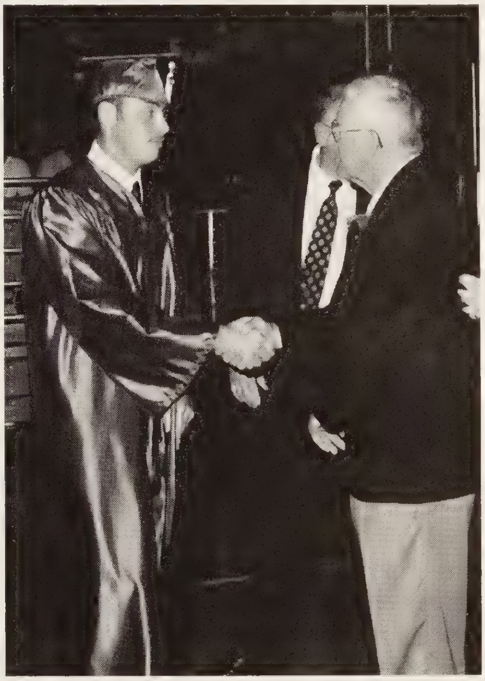
Fossil Fact

In 1960, there were 19 Seniors in the Senior Class.



◀Time to step up . . . Seniors McKinsey Huff and Chasity Chafin make their way into the gymnasium as the Monday evening Graduation gets ready to start. As a continuing tradition, Beta Club members were always paired up and in front of the line.

▼ I can't believe it's time to put this on . . . Senior Janet Horne takes one last long look at her cap and gown in the foyer of the new gymnasium just before getting ready for graduation. Graduation caused Seniors to reflect on the past, and, as the class song "I Will Remember You" suggested, soon to be graduates would *not* soon be forgotten.



▲Good job . . . Senior Brandon Hughes gets a congratulatory handshake from school board member Mr. Charlie Collins as he makes his way through the graduating processional in the new gymnasium. Brandon was one of seventy-two Seniors who received a diploma.

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Bumps in the Road

Teachers Told Their Challenges

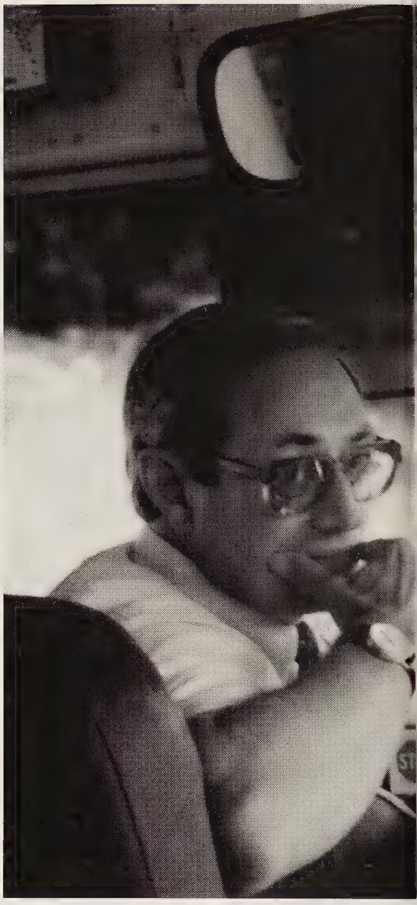
Students who thought they had it rough could have found themselves in the shoes of people who had it worse than they did: **teachers**! In modern fast-paced society, teachers had the seemingly impossible task of providing students with a quality education while being forced to deal with obstacles along the way.

Teachers had grown accustomed to hearing about the SOLs, and, in order to try to keep up with teaching trends and improve SOL scores, were required to work the Stuart Flannagan SOL materials into their classes. Mrs. Hackney added, *"The biggest challenge is keeping up with the growing technology."*

In addition to incorporating these new programs, teachers had the trying job of keeping students motivated. *"The biggest challenge about being a teacher is maintaining my patience with students who don't care,"* admitted Ms. Stevenson.

Fossil Fact In 1997, SOL testing became a new challenge.

Despite these bumps in the road, teachers remained devout in their job of preparing kids for the future.



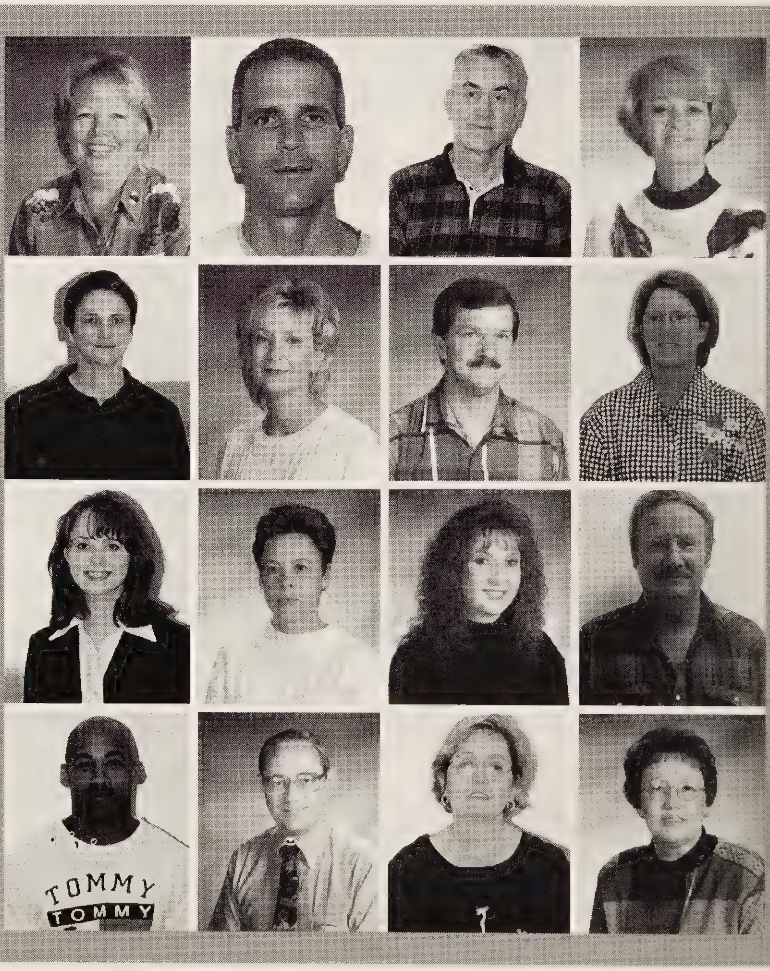
►Behind the wheel . . . Mr. Hodges takes one last look back before heading home from a field trip to SVCC for the rocket show. Mr. Hodges, as well as other faculty members and coaches, played a dual role as both educator and chauffeur.

Sherry Allen, Business
Tom Allen, Drivers' Education
Sherman Bise, Custodian
Mary Bush, Special Education

Linda Cassell, Guidance
Peggy Castle, Business
Mike Clatterbuck, Custodian
Debra Dorton, Fiber Optics

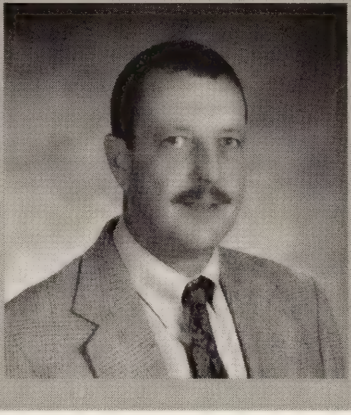
Amber Gibson, English/Journalism
Shirley Gibson, Fiber Optics
Jackie Hackney, Science
Roger Hale, Custodian

Maurice Hayes, Physical Education
Herman Hodges, Computer Lab
Penny Hudson, Special Education
Brenda Jessee, Business



◄ *"I am proud of the outstanding traditions of Castlewood High School. Our teachers, students, and staff members work hard to uphold the standards that have made the students of this school successful. I am honored to be a part of the lives of the students and staff of Castlewood High School."*

—Mr. Roger Glovier, Principal



◄*"My job as Assistant Principal of Castlewood High School has afforded me the opportunity to work with some of the best people in the world. I appreciate the efforts of the students, faculty, and staff who strive for the betterment of our school. It all makes me proud to be a 'Blue Devil'."*

—Mr. Laymon "Butch" Kiser, Assistant Principal

Helen Jessee, Library Aide

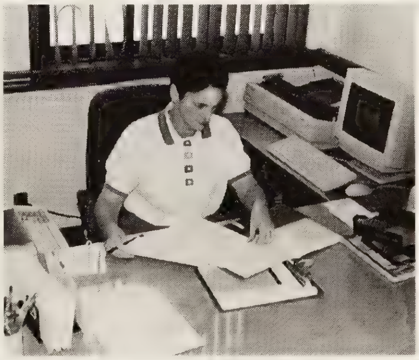
Brenda Johnston, Physical Education

Mike Knybel, Band

Dudley McCoy, Social Studies

◄**All together now . . .** Brenda Johnston, Physical Education Teacher and Freshman Sponsor, enthusiastically gives it her all as she rallies with members of the freshmen class before the big game against Pound at the Homecoming Pep Rally in the old gym.

▼**Busy as a bee . . .** Miss Linda Cassell, Guidance Counselor, shuffles through the never-ending amount of paperwork on her desk. Miss Cassell kept herself busy with scheduling, testing, and scholarships.



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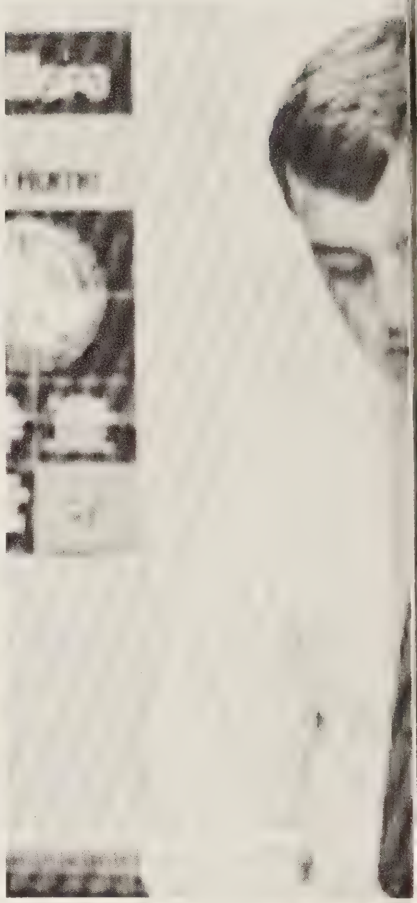
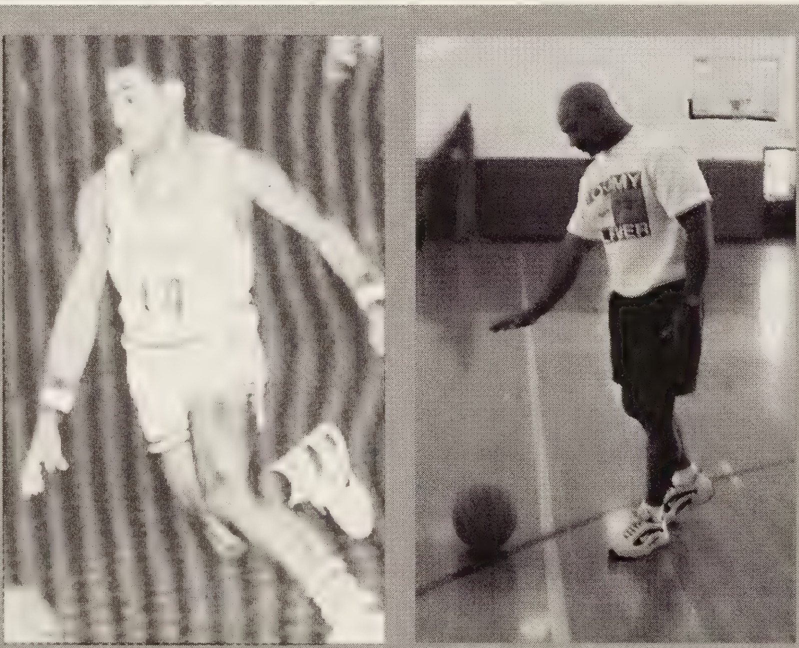
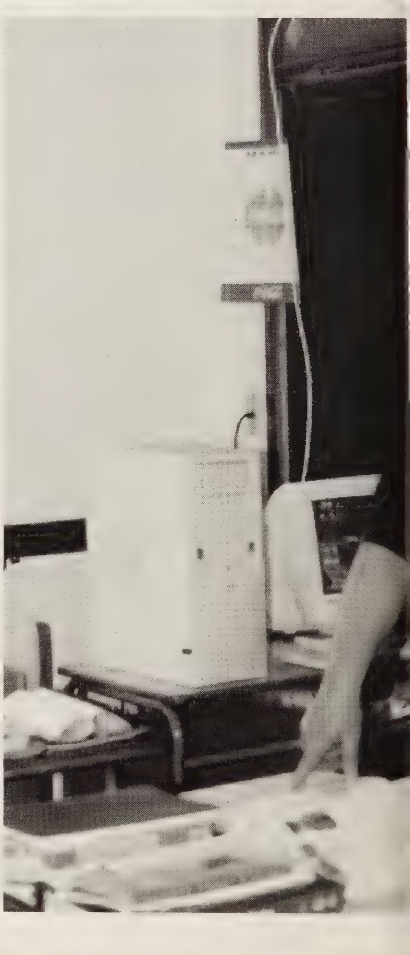
▼Smile sweetly for the camera . . . Mrs. Wallace poses for a picture taken in her room in 1981 and then again in the year 2000. Nineteen years ago, in 1981, Mrs. Wallace taught an English 13 class and was sponsor for *The Sentinel*, the school newspaper.

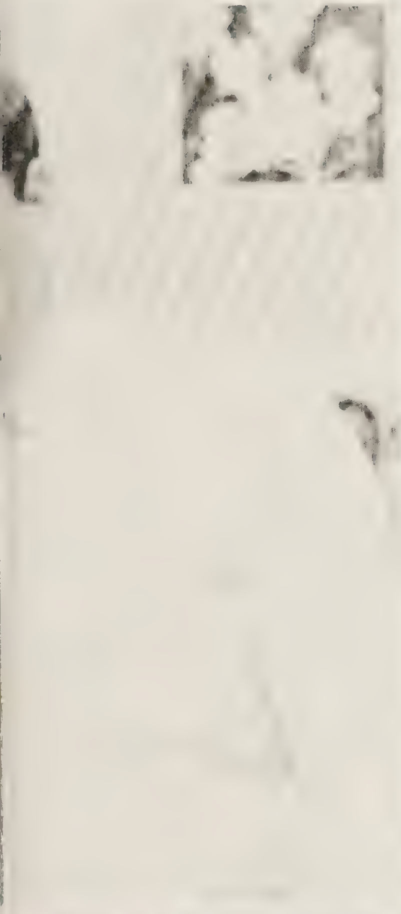
►If you'll notice on page 34 . . . Mr. McCoy poses for a picture in his classroom in room 203 in 1971, and is then shown again during the current school year. Mr. McCoy, who received a B.A. Degree from Lincoln Memorial University, started teaching U.S. History and World History almost 30 years ago.





▲Out of my way, I'm coming through! . . . Coach Hayes displays one of his basketball maneuvers during a game in 1988 and then again in the same old gym in 2000. Coach Hayes, now a physical education teacher at CHS, was a standout athlete in his high school days. He proved his talent in basketball as he was named All-District two years, All-Region one year, and had a whopping sixteen assists in one game alone.





▲ **Lean to your left, then lean to your right . . .** Mrs. Skeens poses for a photo as she warms up in the old gymnasium in 1981, and she is then shown in a current picture in the old gymnasium. Mrs. Skeens was always a health conscious individual. In 1981, she, along with several other teachers, was involved in an exercise class two nights a week. She proved that she could do more than calculate the area of a triangle or graph a linear equation on a cartesian plane.

Back in BLACK and WHITE

Teachers Reflected on the Past

Times have changed. No one could vouch for this fact better than former teachers who were once students in the "old school" and then teachers in the "new school." Out of thirty-one teachers, fifteen of these faculty members had been former students at CHS. These fifteen individuals agreed that the school had certainly changed.

Technology was perhaps the most evident change. Mrs. Helen Jessee, class of 1961, added, *"Technology has opened up a whole new world for students. With the click of a button, resources are readily available and students can easily compete with students throughout the nation."*

Academics had also changed over time; for example - choir class. Mrs. Amber Gibson, class of 1988, commented, *"I have fond memories of choir in high school. We used to have a separate class for each grade, 8-12, and the classes were always completely full. We always had a great time!"*

Teachers had many memories of their high school days. Though school changed, teachers had fond memories whether in full color or in black and white.

Fossil Fact

In 1988, Ms. Gibson and Coach Hayes graduated.

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Connie Milton, Librarian

Linda Miotke, Science

Randy Poole, Social Studies

Deanna Proffitt, Spanish

Mike Roberson, Social Studies

Caroline Sabo, English

John Sabo, Science/Math

Larry Shortt, Mathematics

Fredia Skeens, Mathematics

Deborah Stevenson, French/Business

Deanna Talbert, English

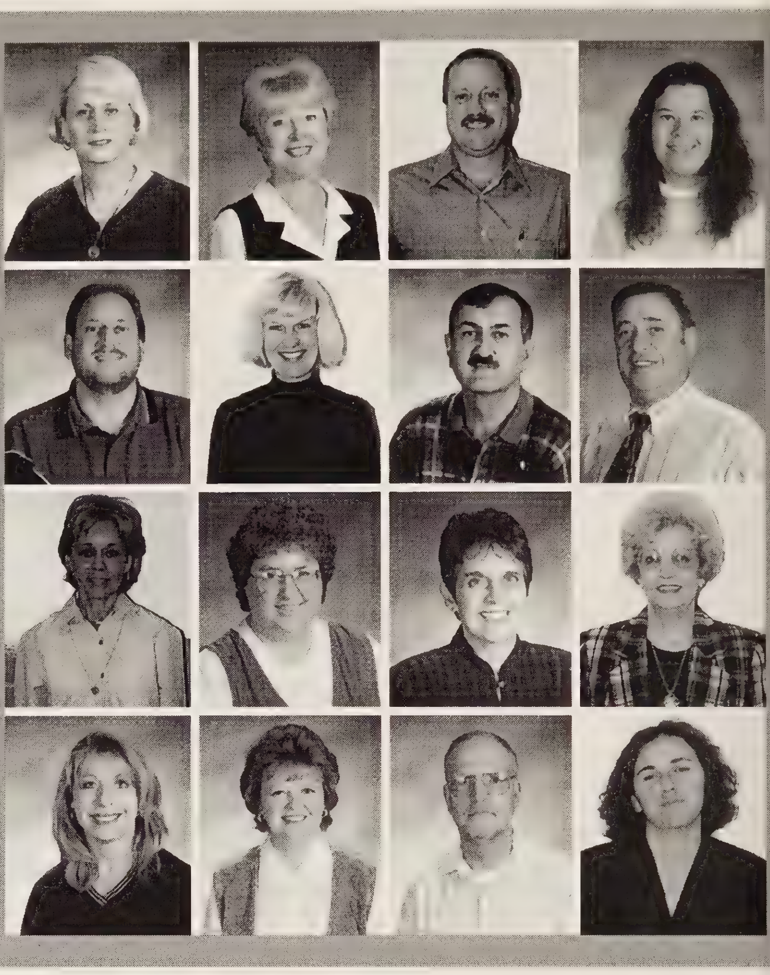
Charlotte Tarwater, Bookkeeper

Carolyn Townes, Special Education

Dolly Wallace, English/Drama

Allen Wells, Science

Jennifer Woodlief, Mathematics



Kim Wright, Art/Choir

►Could you check on my grade? . . . Mrs. Talbert helps one of her eighth grade English students, Ashley Jenkins, during class. Mrs. Talbert taught English 8 and English 9 and was an eighth grade class sponsor as well.

◄Cafeteria Staff . . . FRONT ROW: Debbie Elam, Helen Smith, Linda Austin, Shirley Bise, and Edna Hall. **BACK ROW:** Rachel Collins, Sharon Rynes, Edna Statzer, and Nell Banner.

◄Bus Drivers . . . Mark Dickenson, Eddie Beavers, Mary Lou Gordan, Alice Collins, Susie Bailey, Jim Williams, Jason Bush, Mary Meade, Vergie Castle, and Kim Osborne.

Changing Times

Teachers Predicted Education

What does the future hold? One thing is for sure, education changed in the past century, and teachers seemed to think it would change in the twenty-first century as well.

One fear of some teachers was being eliminated from classrooms. With advancing technology, more and more classes were taught via the Internet and television. Mrs. Talbert, however, confidently replied, *"Technology will continue to grow in the twenty-first century; however, I think teachers will remain present in the classroom."*

The way students would learn was another expected change. *"More classes will be available via the Internet allowing students to learn on a national level,"* added Mrs. Wright, while Mrs. Wallace commented, *"In the next century students will be required to develop thinking skills; they will learn to analyze rather than regurgitate."*

Fossil Fact

In 1995, fiber optic classes began.

Whatever the sentiment, teachers agreed that a new century would call for changing times.

◄Oh how exciting! . . . Senior Courtney Jessee helps Coach Roberson give out awards at the Homecoming Pep Rally while Mrs. Bush and Mrs. Miotke look on excitedly.

C. Chafin, Layout; C. Jessee, Copy; J. Cain, Photography

Sports Gave Athletes a Chance to Play While Remaining . . .

Stonefaced

Put on your game face!!! This expression was well used throughout the school year as sport after sport began new and exciting seasons.

The schedule began early as those teams who participated in fall sports started their practices and conditioning before the school year even began. **Junior Varsity Fall Teams** were selected as they made their mark hoping to soon make their way up to the varsity level. **Varsity Football** braved the summer heat to prepare for another grueling season and became Tri-Champs, as the **Varsity Football Cheerleaders** conducted a camp of their own to help get them ready for those cold Friday nights when they were responsible for generating **School Spirit**.

Varsity Girls' Basketball hit the court and learned the value of teamwork, as the **Cross Country Team** took advantage of the new track facilities in order to prepare for their endurance training. Whatever the team, it was obvious that **Practice** could NOT be avoided . . . it was all part of the game.

The Golf Team took advantage of the last of the sunny weather as they paid high prices for equipment just to take to the green, and **The JV Winter and Spring Teams** began preparation for tryouts.

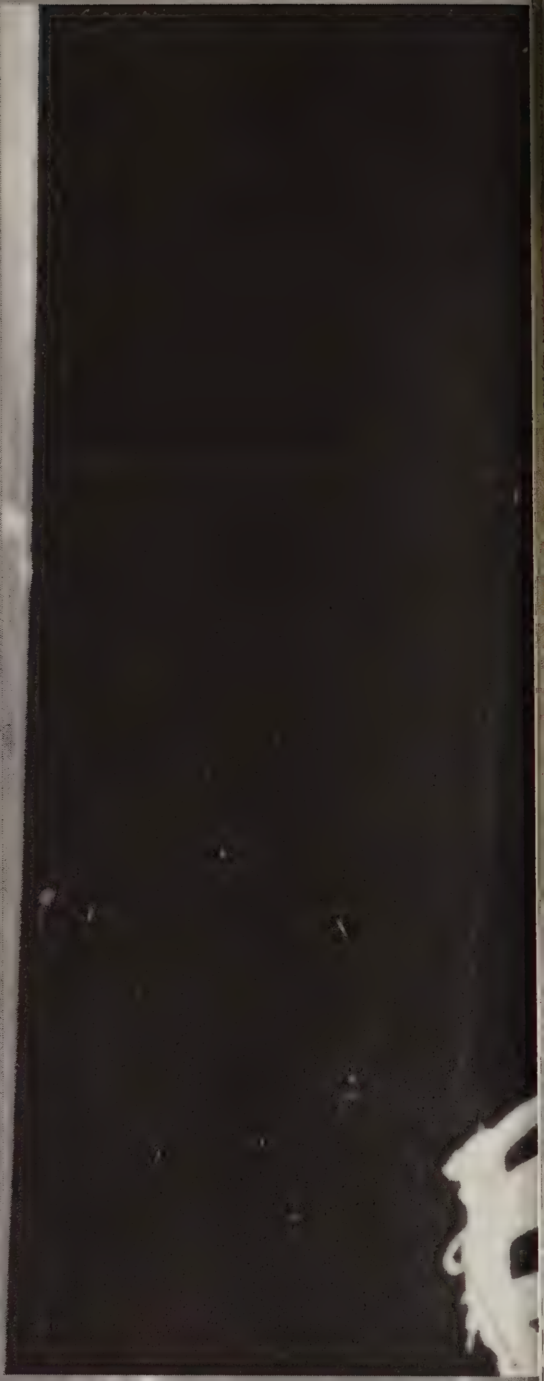
Varsity Boys' Basketball showed commitment as they practiced when school was canceled for snow, as the **Varsity Basketball Cheerleaders** tried out and made the team. **The Varsity Volleyball Team** spiked their way to a trip to State, and **The Wrestling Team** made weight to compete in various classes.

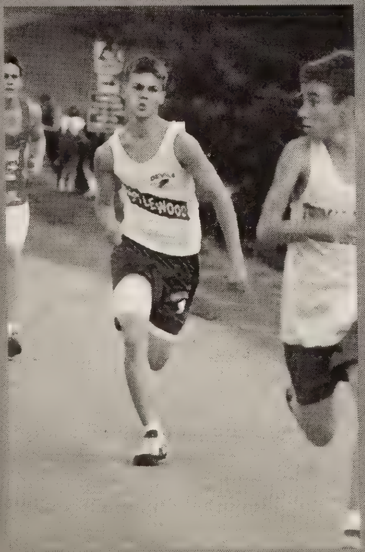
When Spring finally sprung, **The Varsity Softball and Baseball Teams** participated in vigorous tryout processes and took to the field in between rainy days, while **Track** members made the decisions regarding which events to participate in come rain OR shine.

Athletes of a different kind were those who participated on **The Academic Team**. Although these students did not have to run or throw, they did attend long practices and earned their way to the State Championships in Williamsburg. Whatever the sport, participants had to **Condition** themselves to prepare for competition and remain cool under pressure.

Another unique sport was **Forensics**. These dramatic competitors selected their pieces and practiced as hard as any athletes during the season, once again becoming District Runners-Up.

Finally, at the end of the school year, outstanding athletes were honored during **Athletic Awards Day** as they realized the advantages of playing the game while remaining **Stonefaced**.





▲Evil eyes . . . Junior Kelly Paul King displays a look of sheer determination as he makes his way back to the fieldhouse after a sweaty game against Ervinton. The intensity shown by players such as this earned the team a close win of 14-13 against the Rebels.

◄Face off . . . Various athletes and participants exhibit looks of competitive drive as they participate in their sports. (Far left) Junior Brandie Sproles practices her Prose Piece, *The Dollmaker*, which earned her third in District, fourth in Regionals, and a trip to State. (Second from Left): Senior Justin Worley gives it his all as an apprehensive Thomas Walker opponent looks over his shoulder during the Cross Country Meet at Oxbow Lake (Near Left): Sophomore Audrea Sanders vocalizes her support for the Football Team during the Homecoming Game against Pound.

RUNNING WITH THE BIG DOGS

JV Fall Teams Learned the Ropes of High School Sports

There is a first time for everything, and for many students on junior varsity squads, it was their first time experiencing high school athletics. Junior Varsity Sports presented new and exciting experiences for these first-timers.

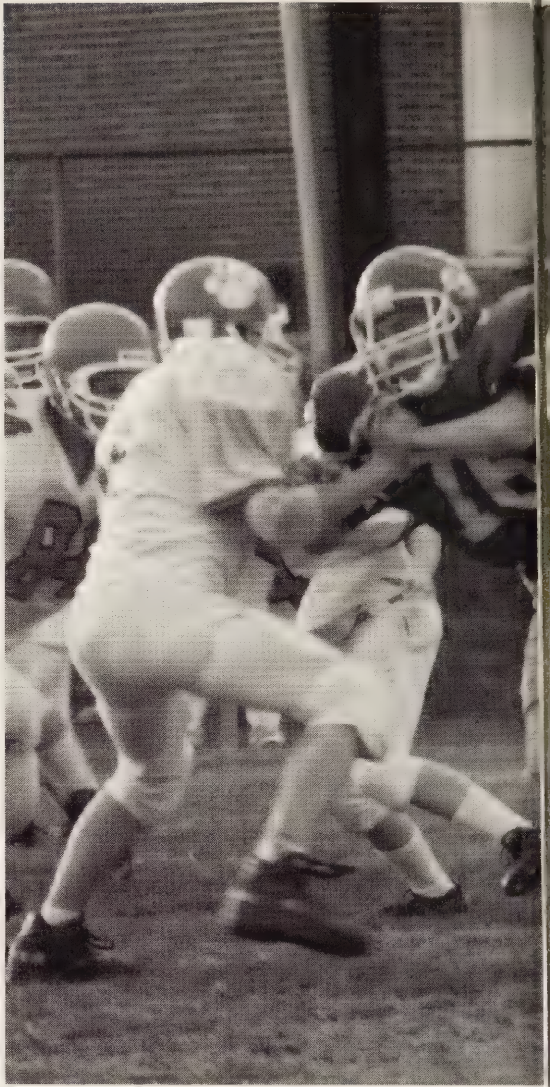
The Junior Varsity Football Team began with long practices starting during summer vacation in addition to facing the challenge of meeting standards set by older team members. As Eighth Grader Jonathon Salyer honestly put it, *"This was my first year playing high school football. It was challenging."* While practices may have been difficult, they also helped this group earn a winning record, losing only two games during the regular season.

Fossil Fact
The 1997 JV Football Team was undefeated.

Junior Varsity Girls' Basketball faced a longer season with even more obstacles, capturing only four wins. But,even though winning may have been the ultimate goal, just playing the game proved to be a fun experience. As Eighth Grader Kim Sproles commented, *"Playing JV Basketball for the first year was really fun."*

Both junior varsity fall teams had a "ball" learning the ropes of high school sports, and whether they had a winning season or not, they realized that everyone had to start somewhere, and within a few years they too would be running with the big dogs!

►Make room I'm coming through! . . . Eighth Grader Brandon Talford, number 80, carries the football as fellow team member Eighth Grader Eric Kiser, number 76, defends his territory from the opposing Honaker Tigers. The team defeated the Tigers with a score of 14-6.



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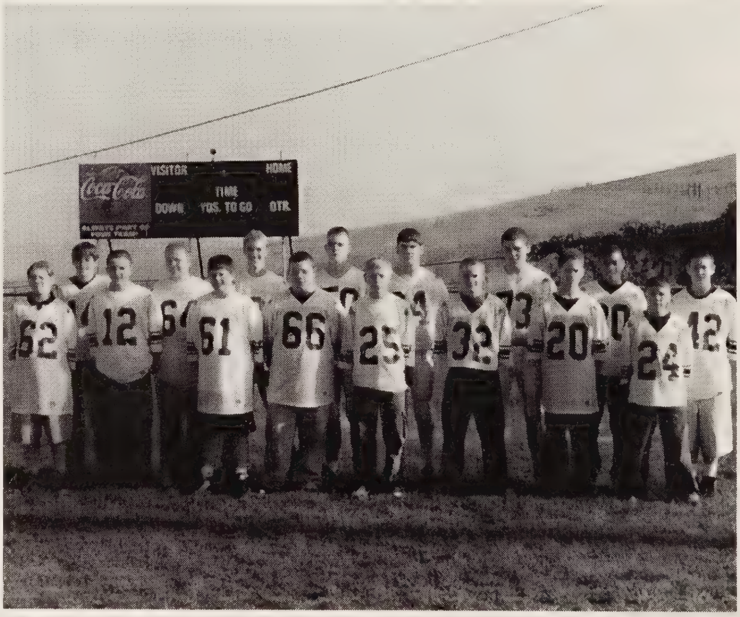
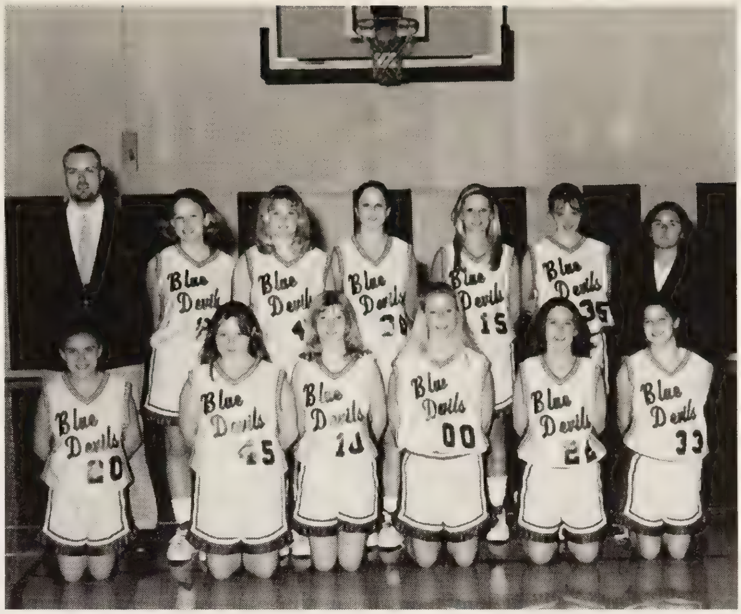
JV FOOTBALL

CHS	OPPONENT	
20	Rye Cove	22
14	Honaker	6
22	Twin Springs	6
16	Rye Cove	14
22	Twin Springs	0
22	Honaker	34



▲Junior Varsity Football Team . . . FIRST ROW: Joey Kiser, Jonathon Salyer, T.J. Stapleton, Freddie Holbrook, Derrick Phillips, Kris White, Matt McReynolds, and Nathan Carpenter. **SECOND ROW:** Matthew Puckett, Johnny Hobbs, Cody Cress, Casey Dotson, Daven Phillips, Eric Kiser, Brandon Talford, and Josh Salyer.



▲**Junior Varsity Girls' Basketball . . . FIRST ROW:** Kim Sproles, Amanda Salyer, Damara Fields, Jaclyn Byerley, Tara Carpenter, and Candace Justice. **SECOND ROW:** Assistant Coach Barry Ruff, Katherine Tarr, Heather Bradley, Tracey Evans, Megan Campbell, Amy Branson, and Coach Jennifer Woodlief.

ETCHED IN STONE

JV GIRLS' BASKETBALL

CHS	OPPONENT	
19	Lebanon	42
33	Chilhowie	29
19	Lebanon	49
12	Honaker	31
34	Coeburn	19
21	Chilhowie	33
17	Honaker	39
18	Coeburn	27
39	Northwood	36
25	Ervinton	31
31	St. Paul	46
21	Thomas Walker	40
20	Ervinton	45
29	Rye Cove	38
25	Northwood	43
34	Twin Springs	25
22	Rye Cove	45
27	St. Paul	59
24	Twin Springs	29
24	Thomas Walker	35

▼**Poised for perfection** . . . Freshman Jaclyn Byerley faces the goal and squares up as she prepares to shoot during halftime intermission. Jaclyn, a second year junior varsity basketball player, had grown accustomed to warm-ups and games. She, along with the other six freshmen on the team, were expected to offer helpful insight to the five eighth graders that were being introduced to a whole new type of ball game.

◀**Bet you can't catch me! . . .** Freshman Candace Justice races down the floor towards the goal while fellow team members Amy Branson, Heather Bradley, and Tracey Evans trail behind her, and two Rye Cove team members, B. McGee, number 14, and G. Lapitan, number 32, try to stop her from scoring an open layup. The team members combined for an impressive fourteen first quarter points alone. In addition to field goals, the team went five for eleven from the line, which added an additional five points to the total score.

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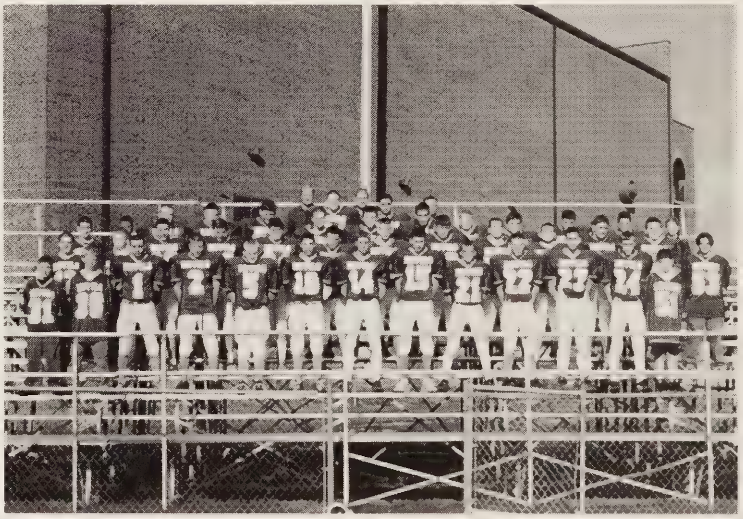
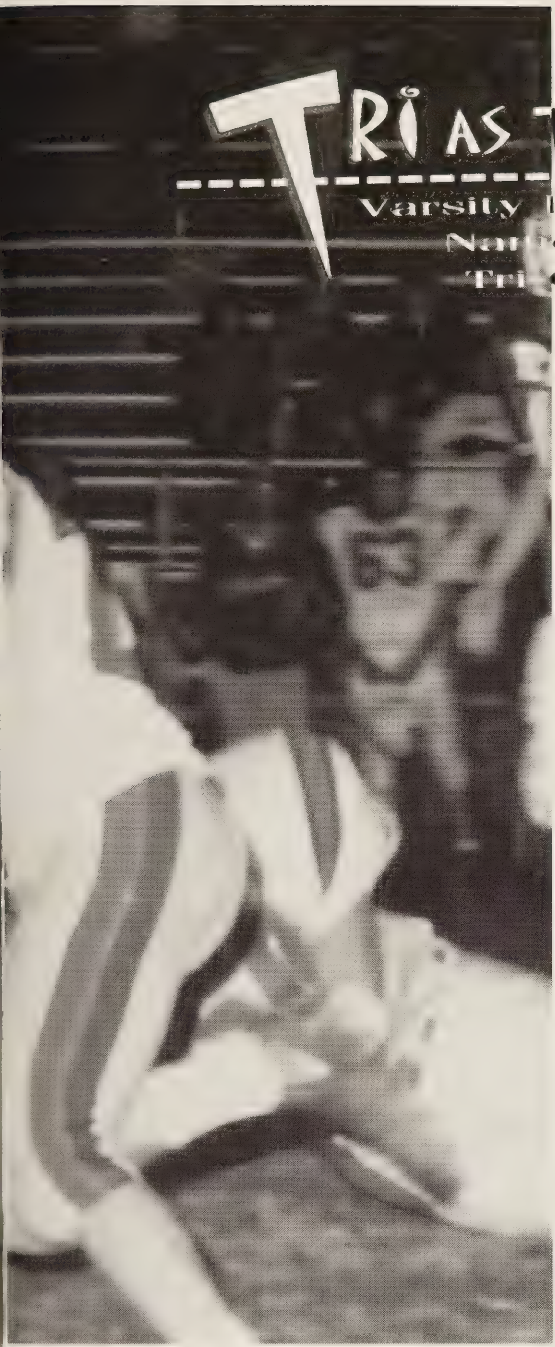


►**Varsity Football Team . . . FIRST ROW:** Nathan Carpenter, Derrick Phillips, Ray Mullins, Chris Light, Daniel Compton, Matt Justice, Chad Smith, Ricky Gibson, Heath Francis, Heath Fields, Tanner Dotson, Travis Nash, T.J. Stapleton, and Adam Fields. **SECOND ROW:** Jonathon Salyer, Johnny Hobbs, David Crabtree, Grady Kring, Daven Phillips, Chad Hamblin, Casey Dotson, Matt Dye, Chase King, Cameron Hall, Jarred Glass, and Eric Ervin. **THIRD ROW:** Josh Salyer, Brandon Talford, Michael Patrick, Ryan McDaniel, Ricky Neece, Adam Jessee, Eric Kiser, Kelly King, Randall Statzer, Josh Steffey, Mark Dye, David Hileman, and Joey Kiser. **FOURTH ROW:** Coaches Randy Poole, Mike Roberson, and Scott Kiser.

TRI AS THEY MIGHT

Varsity Football Team Named District Tri-Champion



Hey, get out of my way, man! This was the cry of the Varsity Football Team as they plowed their way through the Cumberland District. Guided by eleven experienced Seniors, the team worked vigorously as they practiced and played. Each team member realized that in order to have a successful season, it would take more than strength. Football was as much a mental game as it was a physical game.

Whether it was brains or brawn that guided the team, or a combination of both, either way it worked. The dynamic team tackled their way through the contending competition of the district and proved they had what it took to be winners. They ended the season as Tri-Champions of the Cumberland District, sharing their prestigious honor with fellow district members, St. Paul and Rye Cove.

Sophomore Grady Kring realized the significance of this honor when he commented, *"It was great being shareholders of the district title."* Senior Chad Smith added, *"It was a good season: we were tied to win Districts and had a 5-5 season."*

Whatever the sentiment, the Varsity Football Team definitely tried with all their might to prove their stuff, and the title of Tri-Champion definitely reiterated their success!

Fossil Fact

In 1981, seven football players made the All-District Team.

ETCHED IN STONE

CHS	OPPONENT	
6	Clintwood	41
16	Thomas Walker	0
15	Patrick Henry	41
18	Holston	8
26	Rye Cove	38
28	St. Paul	12
6	Pound	33
14	Ervinton	12
21	Twin Springs	0
7	Honaker	43

◄**On the run** . . . Junior James Kring, number 20, smoothly maneuvers his way down the field with a Twin Springs Titan on his heels as fellow teammate Junior Chase King, number 55, prepares to block for him. Both the defense and offense helped the team pull together for a 21-0 upset over the Titans.

◄**Taking it all in** . . . Sophomore Grady Kring, number 32, and Juniors Ray Mullins, number 1, and Chris Light, number 3, listen intently during a halftime speech. Team members knew that it was essential to explicitly follow the detailed instructions given by Head Coach Mike Roberson and Assistant Coaches Randy Poole and Scott Kiser. The locker room proved to be not only a place to simply change clothes and prepare for a game; but, it was also a lecture room of sorts as Coach Roberson gave his infamous motivational pep talks during halftime.

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BEHIND THE SCENES

Varsity Football Cheerleaders Cooked Up More than New Cheers

A cheerleader's work was never done, and there was much more to cheerleading than what met the eye.

Cheering at games was just a small portion of the squad's responsibilities. They suffered through gruelling practices, slaved through cheerleading camp, and sold spirit items to raise money for new uniforms; however, each of the eleven cheerleaders accepted these challenges with optimism.

During practice the squad worked long hours on jumps, stunts, and perfecting their cheers. Before actual practice, three days out of their summer vacation was spent dancing and chanting at cheerleading camp. Freshman Trista Hicks, a new squad member, was thankful for the opportunity and stated, *"Cheerleading camp was a lot of fun and a great learning experience."*

While a high percentage of the team thought the summer camp was enjoyable, they did not fail to recognize the amount of work that it took to promote school spirit once the school year began. The Football Cheerleaders stayed after school each day to practice, make signs, improve stunts, plan activities, and even cook. Sophomore Charm Herndon commented, *"When I took the job of a cheerleader, I didn't expect to cook, but it was fun because we shared the treats with the Football Team."*

Cooking was normally not in the job description of a cheerleader; however, it served as a great spirit-booster for the team. The squad quickly proved themselves as chef material when they made desserts such as chocolate chip cookies that both the team and coaches enjoyed.

Once all the preparation and spirit building was complete, the Football Cheerleaders bounded out onto the football sidelines each Friday night to cheer for the team. Through the rain and cold, the squad smiled, threw footballs to the fans during halftime, and performed the cheers they had practiced during the week.

Fossil Fact

From 1985-89, Mrs. Milton was the cheerleading sponsor.

From cooking desserts to practicing stunts, cheerleaders had their work cut out for them; but, in the end, they became closer as a squad while having a great time mastering a number of endless feats behind the scenes.

►**Food fest** . . . Sophomore Audrea Sanders leads the food line at the First-Annual Tailgate Party hosted by the New People's Bank before the Homecoming Game. Even though the cheerleaders were not the cooks behind the scenes at **this** feast, they knew all too well the preparation put into such an event as they joined in with the Football Team to eat pizza, chips, candy, and cake.

►**Keep it together** . . . Senior Courtney Jessee looks back to direct fellow squad members Sophomores Sheena Austin, Whitney Phillips, Charm Herndon, Audrea Sanders, and Junior Jessica Amburgey off the field before a game. The cheerleaders were preparing to show their enthusiasm for the team which was taking on Ervinton.

◄**Varsity Football Cheerleaders. . . FIRST ROW:** Courtney Jessee, Ashley Addington, Sheena Austin, Audrea Sanders, and Nikki Blanton. **SECOND ROW:** Trista Hicks, Amy Puckett, Jeana Willis, Jessica Amburgey, Charm Herndon, and Whitney Phillips.

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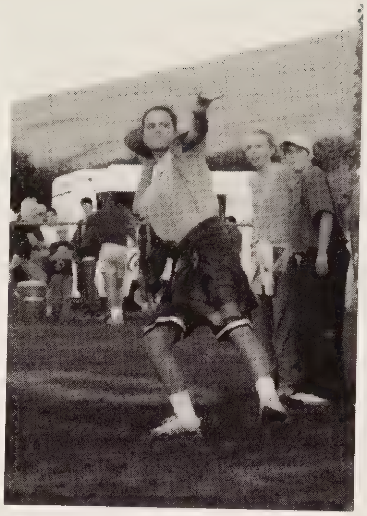
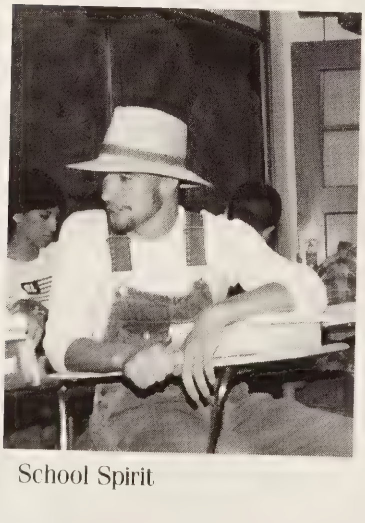
►**Bomb's away!** . . . Senior Jessica Hogg gives it her all at the evening pep rally football throwing contest.

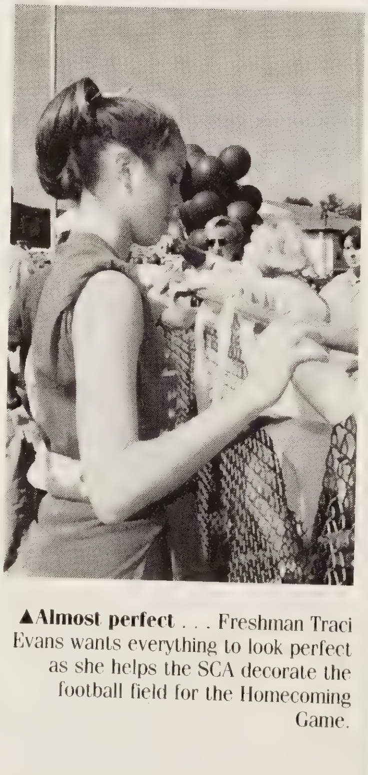
▼**Let's get fired up!** . . . Members of the junior class scream and chant during a pep rally to win the coveted spirit stick.



▲**Where's the party?** . . . Members of Mrs. Miotke's eighth grade physical science class find creative ways to decorate her room during Homecoming Week.

▼**Farmer Fred** . . . Junior Ray Mullins doesn't mind showing his spirit during Homecoming Week on Hillbilly Day in his junior English class.





▲**Almost perfect** . . . Freshman Traci Evans wants everything to look perfect as she helps the SCA decorate the football field for the Homecoming Game.

IF THESE WALLS COULD TALK

School Spirit Was Heard Loud and Clear

We've got spirit yes we do, we've got spirit how 'bout you?

If the walls could talk, this spirited anthem would be heard loud and clear. School spirit was shown from wearing school colors to sometimes shaving and painting heads. No matter how it was displayed, fans showed their school pride - winning *or* losing.

Fossil Fact

In 1979, the largest Pep Club ever had over 100 members.

Everyone had his or her own way of promoting school spirit. Sophomore Travis Milgrim commented, *"My favorite way to show school spirit is to participate in dress-up days."* Fans also brought creative spirit signs to games which aided in winning the WCYB Spirit Award for the second year in a row.

Whatever the season, school spirit was always present. After all, "true blue" fans were always there come rain or shine; and, as Senior Carmen Smith noted, *"School spirit is a great way to express your personality."*

◄**Almost finished** . . . Seniors Greta Jessee and April Hicks touch up the paint on the devil they painted in Mrs. Townes' room. Homerooms participated in the annual room decorating contest to promote school spirit during Homecoming Week.

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A COMMON GOAL

Varsity Girls' Basketball Proved Teamwork Made a Successful Season

What's the most important aspect of playing a team sport? Winning? The score? The record? Or was it just being part of one team working together towards one common goal? The Girl's Basketball Team may not have had what one would consider a winning season, but that didn't cause them to lose sight of what was really important. *"Working well together as a team is more important than winning or losing games,"* commented Junior Jessica Cain.

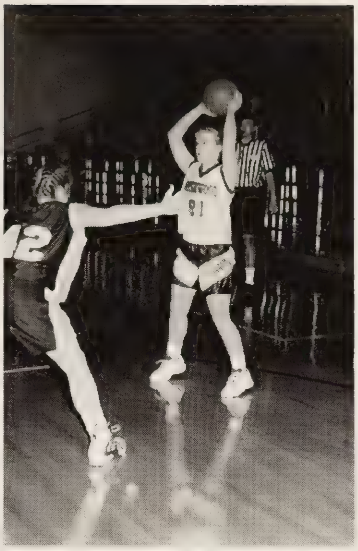
Fossil Fact

Before 1961, Girls' Basketball games were played half-court.

Sure, having an undefeated season would have been impressive, but this group of determined young players never gave up and played their hardest until the very last game of a very long season. Without this tenacity, the team would have never recovered from the big loss to rival St. Paul and come back winners by defeating Twin Springs in a close game by only three points.

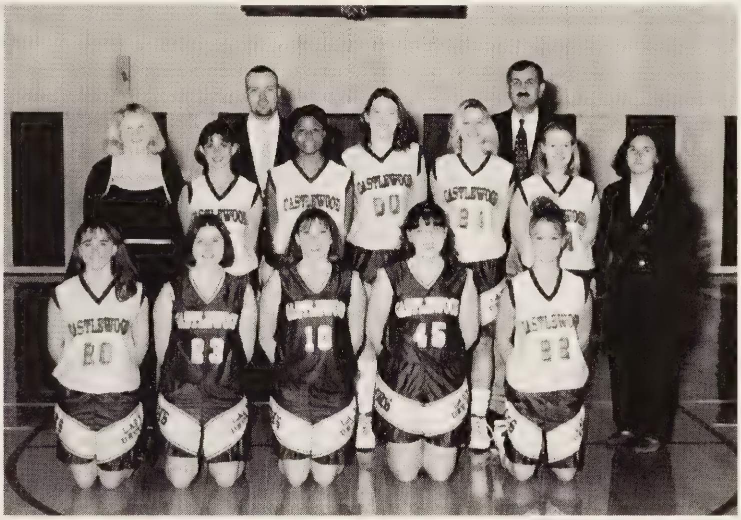
The team never lost their will to fight, and as summed up by Senior Amy Jones at the end of the season, *"Although we may not have won every game, we still felt like our hard work and team spirit paid off."*

►**Coming through** . . . Sophomore Jessica Clevinger, number 22, rushes past her Rye Cove opponent to score another basket for her team who unfortunately lost, 34-67.

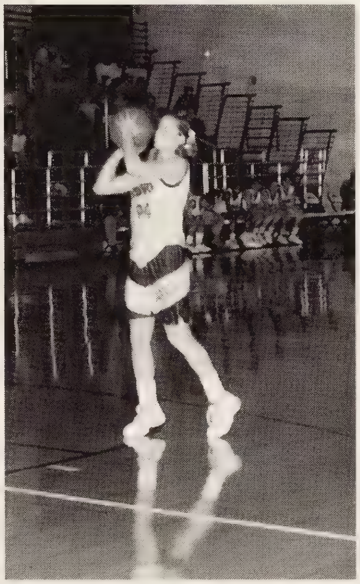


◄**Keep away** . . . Freshman Alicia King patiently waits for an open pass as she keeps her Rye Cove opponent from stealing the ball.

▼**Leader of the pack** . . . Sophomore Kayla Buckles, number 20, rushes ahead of the Twin Springs Titans to shoot a jump shot. The team went on to win 44-41.



▲**Varsity Girls' Basketball Team** . . . **FIRST ROW:** Kayla Buckles, Amy Jones, McKinsey Huff, Chasity Chafin, and Jessica Clevinger. **SECOND ROW:** Sheena Jessee, Alisha Cox, Jessica Cain, Traci Long, Traci Poole, Alicia King, and Coach Jennifer Woodlief. **THIRD ROW:** Coach Barry Ruff and Coach John Sabo.



▲**I think I can, I think I can** . . . Sophomore Traci Poole concentrates on making a basket during a successful game against Twin Springs. Traci had a total of 270 season points.

ETCHED IN STONE

CHS	OPPONENT	
32	Lebanon	56
31	Chilhowie	57
26	Lebanon	41
55	Honaker	41
48	Coeburn	41
38	Chilhowie	48
31	Honaker	46
18	Northwood	77
57	Coeburn	47
45	Ervinton	52
34	St. Paul	57
42	Thomas Walker	66
46	Ervinton	54
32	Rye Cove	67
45	Northwood	79
53	Twin Springs	43
34	Rye Cove	67
46	St. Paul	73
44	Twin Springs	41
33	Thomas Walker	59

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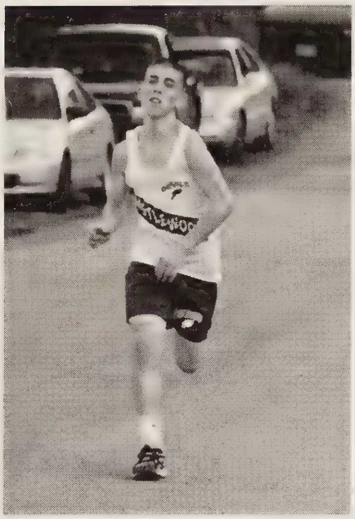
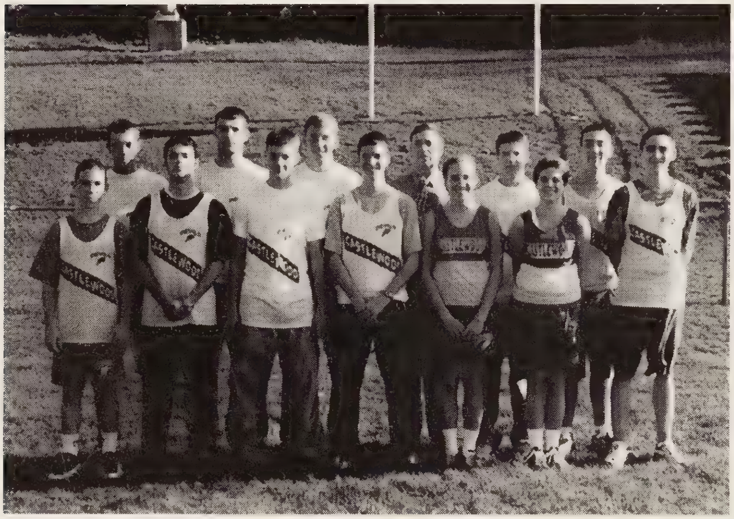
►Hunting for the finish line . . . Eighth Grader Hunter Robinson runs at Oxbow. Hunter finished twelfth.

▼Running with the pack . . . Freshman Max Morris, Junior Jason Castle, Seniors Robert Frazier, Brandon Bush, and Justin Worley, and Freshman Wesley Hall run by the new track during practice.

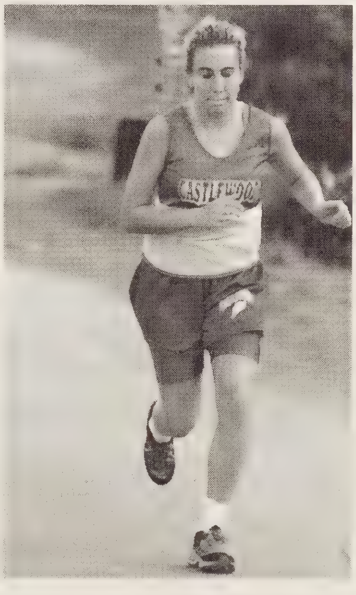




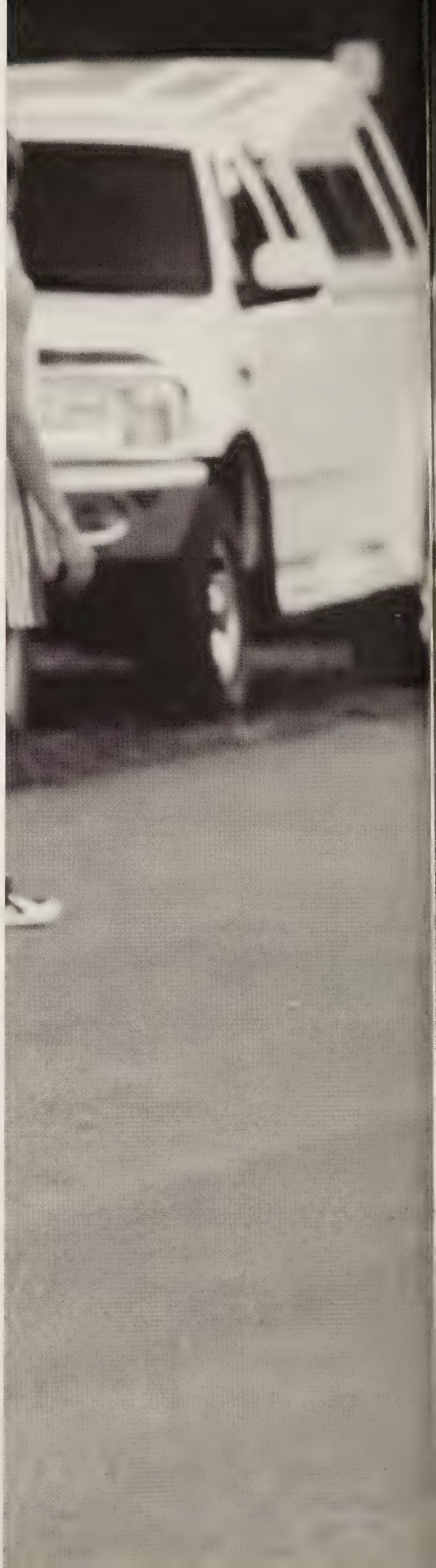
▲Cross Country Team . . . FIRST ROW: Hunter Robinson, Michael Cozzolino, Justin Worley, Wesley Hall, Ashley Addington, Candace Justice, and David Hileman. **SECOND ROW:** Evan Hearl, Brandon Bush, Robert Frazier, Coach Larry Shortt, Max Morris, and David Crabtree.

ETCHED IN STONE

MEET	PLACEMENT
South Holston (Sept. 4)	20th
St. Paul (Sept. 8)	2nd
Marion (Sept. 18)	11th
Powell Valley (Sept. 22)	4th
Steele Creek (Sept. 25)	Incomplete
Wise (Sept. 29)	4th
St. Paul (Oct. 6)	5th
Wise (Oct. 20)	4th
Districts (Oct. 27)	2nd
Regionals (Nov. 6)	4th
State (Nov. 13)	14th



▲Mind over matter . . . Senior Ashley Addington intently concentrates as she tries to move herself in front of the pack during a meet at Oxbow. Ashley finished seventh in Districts.



HIT THE TRACK

Th[illegible] Country Team Used [illegible]ent Practice Areas

What did the gym, the track, and Oxbow all have in common? Each of these places served as practice areas for the Cross Country Team.

A day at cross country practice was often more work than one person cared to ask for; however, practice was an essential part of the athlete's goal to win. *"Practice was tough, but it paid off at the meets,"* stated Freshman Wesley Hall.

Fossil Fact

The first official Cross Country Team was started in 1995.

Practice may have been tough, but for the first year, the team was supplied a new track conveniently on school grounds for running. When cold temperatures or rain hindered outdoor practices, the gym served as a haven from the harsh elements. But, perhaps Oxbow was the most key practice area due to the fact that some of the actual runs were held there. *"I like practicing at Oxbow because you know when you have completed a whole mile,"* added Eighth Grader Hunter Robinson.

Wherever the practice was held, the team realized that in order to achieve their goals they had to lace up their running shoes and hit the track if they wanted to cross the finish line.

◄**Hurl yourself in front . . .** Senior Evan Hearl pushes forward to finish the race at Oxbow Lake (St. Paul). The team finished third out of five.

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FIELD STUDY

Student/Athletes Found the Time to Work AND Play

The throbbing of her headache began to grow stronger as she tried to figure out how she could make time to study for her tests even though she **still** had two more hours of practice left. Finding time to study and practice a sport took a lot of discipline, and this same scenario occurred repeatedly as student/athletes learned to juggle their time.

Fossil Fact

In the 80's, the Volleyball Team had to practice in the elementary gym.

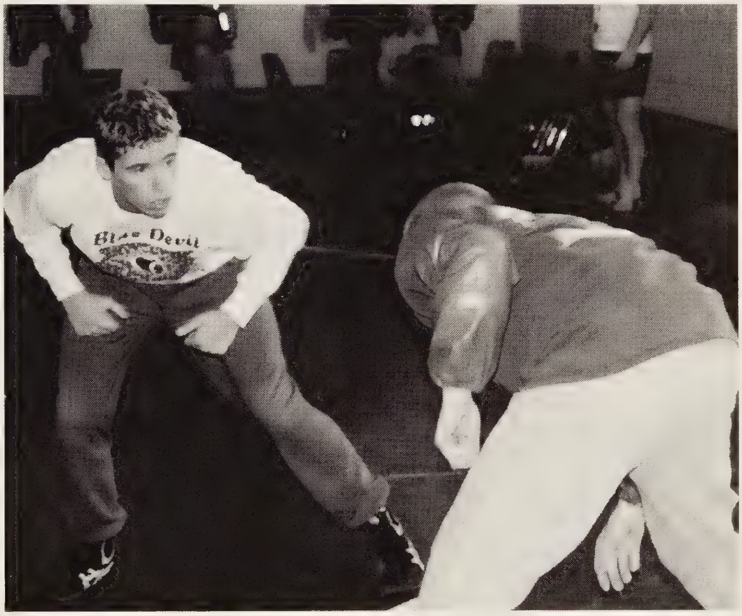
Because the time that practices ended varied from day to day, some students found themselves working on homework close to midnight. Junior Derick Phillips said, *"I stay up until 11:00 doing homework."* Often athletes had to carefully schedule their time in order to do it all without losing their sanity.

Organizational skills and study halls also gave students extra time to help manage going to practice and making the grades to stay on the team. Junior Jessica Amburgey found the best time to do her work was *"during my study hall."*

It took a lot of discipline to take on a sport while trying to carry five to seven full classes and prepare for the S.O.L.'s; however, those who chose to do it all adapted and demonstrated devotion that was required both on and off the field.

◀S-T-R-E-T-C-H . . . Senior Josh Bradley helps Junior Matt Dye warm up before football practice on the field. Practice days such as this were always held on Mondays and Fridays when the players were allowed to play without wearing their *entire* football gear.

▼Finding the time . . . Seniors McKinsey Huff and Chasity Chafin consult with each other about their homework before a basketball game. With a week packed full of practice, games, and school, players could often be seen in the stands before tip off squeezing in their classwork that was due the following day.



▲Squaring off . . . Senior Chad Smith looks for the opportunity to pounce as he practices with Sophomore Jacob Holbrook in the fieldhouse. Wrestling practice generally began immediately following the second bell and lasted one and a half to two hours after school.

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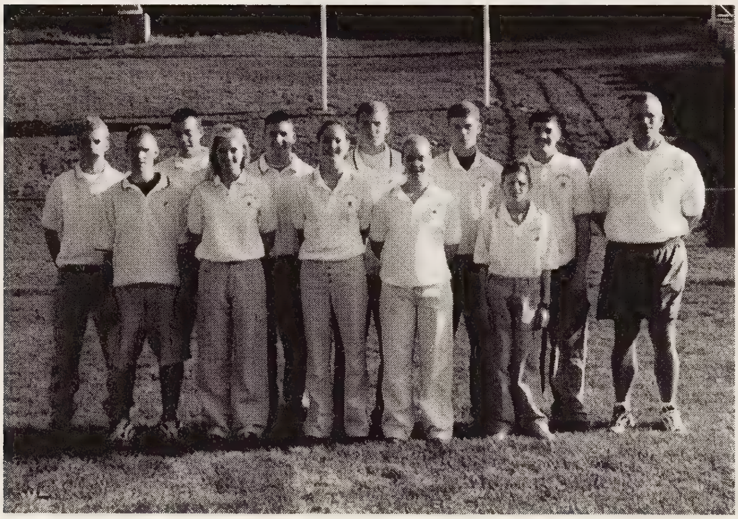
►**Steady as she swings . . .** Freshman Megan Campbell shows perfect form as she swings the club at Bonaventure.

▼**Easy does it . . .** Senior Robert Frazier carefully hits the ball during a match at the Tazewell Country Club.



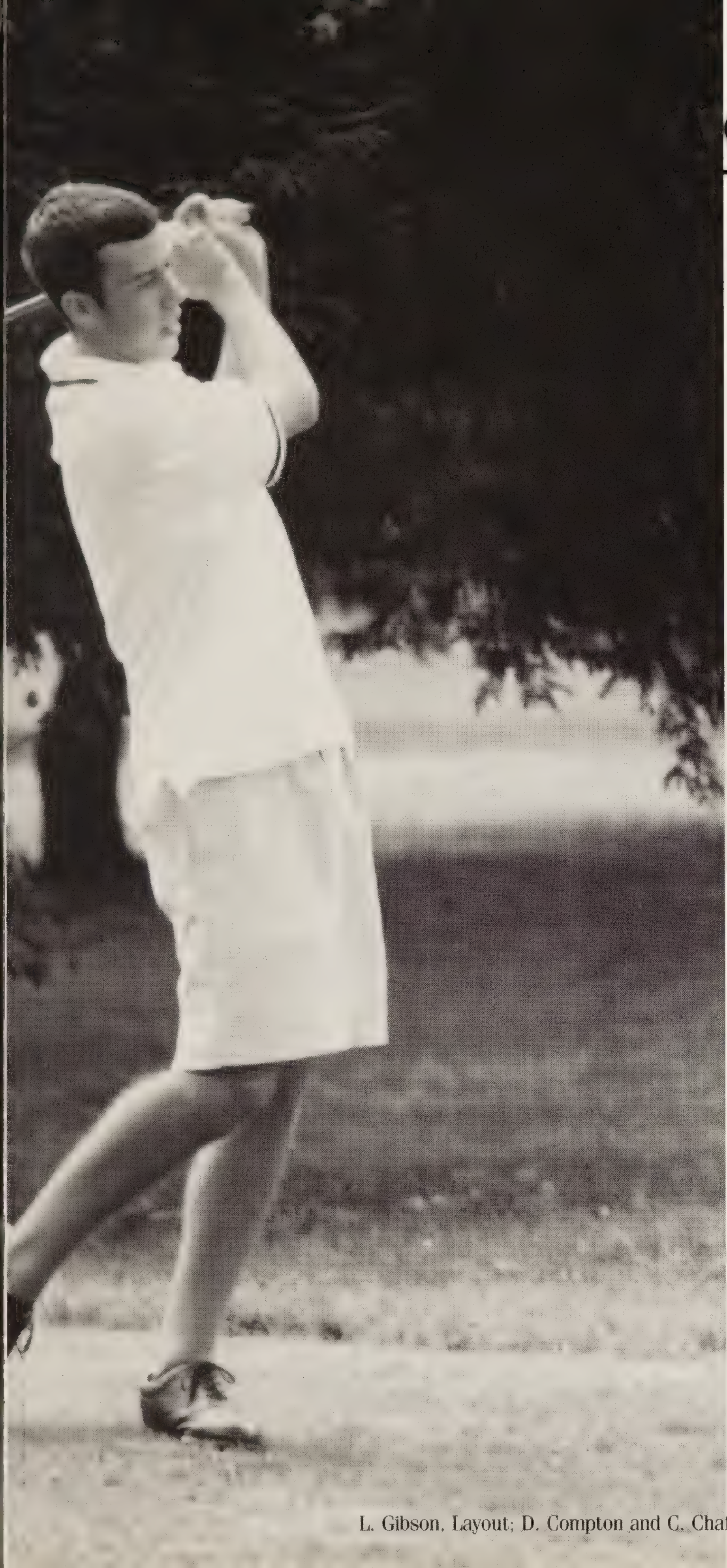
▲**Varsity Golf Team . . . FIRST ROW:** Chad Fields, Megan Campbell, Tracey Evans, Alicia King, and Jonathan Meade. **SECOND ROW:** Cody Cress, Evan Hearl, Jes Stacy, Robert Frazier, Grady Kring, Mark Dye, and Coach Tom Allen.

►**Soft touch . . .** Sophomore Grady Kring keeps his gaze steady at the Tazewell Country Club.

...ETCHED IN STONE

CHS	MATCH
2nd	Lebanon, Abingdon (April 12)
1st	Jonesville (April 17)
2nd	Virginia High, Lebanon (April 19)
1st	Lebanon (April 23)
1st	Rye Cove (April 30)
1st	Lebanon, Marion (Sept. 9)
1st	Tazewell, Honaker (Sept. 14)
1st	J.J. Kelly, Coeburn (Sept. 16)
1st	Rye Cove (Sept. 20)
1st	Virginia High (Sept. 28)
4th	Powell Valley, Coeburn (Sept. 30)

►**Hurl that ball away . . .** Senior Evan Hearl watches as his ball goes flying toward the green, hoping to get the birdie to complete his perfect game. Evan's talent in golf, helped to begin his walk to State where he finished 16th at the Tazewell Country Club.



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Cost More than Hard Work

FORE! Golf season had finally begun, and just as the anticipation of a new season grew, so did the cost of playing the game.

Golf Team members soon learned that in order to play golf, they had to first purchase all the necessary equipment. Naturally, none of these items were cheap.

On the average, golfers could expect to pay around $15 for golf balls, and roughly $20 for a colored polo shirt. This was considered to be mere pocket change compared to the $60 golfers had to dish out for shoes and a whopping $450 they spent on an average set of clubs. Despite these expenses, Junior Mark Dye willingly admitted, *"It is an expensive sport, yes, but when it came time to tee off, all the costs were forgotten."*

Fossil Fact

In 1996, the first Golf Team had 8 members.

Mark was not the only one who believed the benefits of playing golf far outweighed the disadvantages. *"When I'm out there on the fresh cut grass, the sun beaming down, nothing is on my mind but the next putt! It required hard work, but was well worth getting to go to State again,"* replied Senior Evan Hearl.

While golfers relished playing the sport, they recognized the costs they would have to pay in order to remain up to par.

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GOING THE EXTRA MILE

J.V. Players Gave it Their All to Make the Team

Did I make the team? Junior Varsity players trembled as the dreaded "cut day" grew near. Each one had tried his or her best to make the team; however, only a few would make it.

Some players said tryouts was a way of bettering their abilities. As Freshman Pamela Gordon said, *"Volleyball tryouts was a way of setting goals for myself and working hard to achieve those goals."*

The running and exercising was not the best, but it paid off when it came game time. *"It involved a lot of running and hard work, but when it came game time it was all worth it,"* Sophomore Matt Barnette stated.

The J.V. players gave it all they had, no matter what the outcome. Eager underclassmen realized that everyone had to start somewhere, and that tryouts were a way to prove their talent.

A large number of student athletes tried out for all J.V. sports, for example: 21 girls tried out for the J.V. Softball Team and 14 boys tried out for the J.V. Boys' Basketball Team.

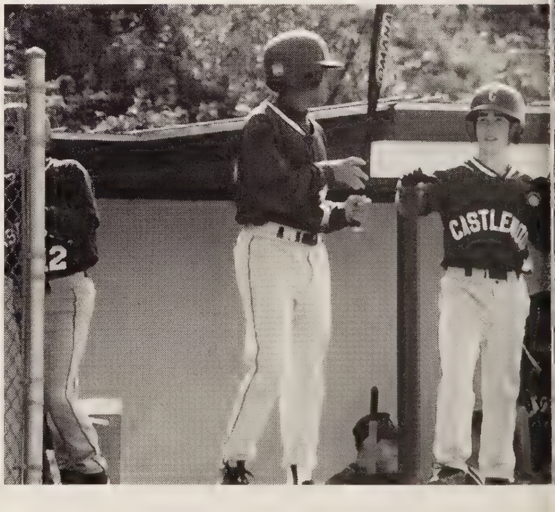
Junior Varsity team members evidently went the extra mile to earn a spot on the team.

Fossil Fact

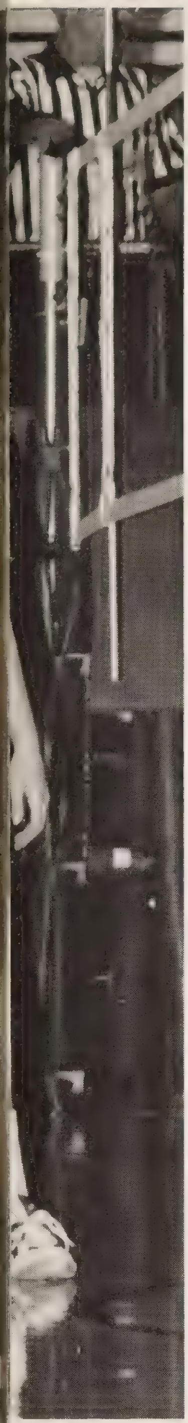
From 1975-80, J.V. was divided into an A team, grades 8-9, and a B team, grades 10-11.

►**Ready and waiting** . . . Freshmen Krista Honaker and Summer Chafin anticipate a serve in a game with Twin Springs on February 9. Summer and Krista were two of seven freshmen on the Junior Varsity Volleyball Team.

▼**Winding up** . . . Eighth Grader Amanda Salyer prepares to pitch in a softball game on the softball field behind the school. The J.V. Softball Team proved their ability to work together as a team as they ended with a record of 16-1.



►**Working together** . . . Eighth Graders Brandon Talford and Hunter Robinson warm up before their turn to bat during a Junior Varsity Baseball Game on the new baseball field in front of the school. Brandon and Hunter were two of nine eighth graders on the team.



▲Junior Varsity Volleyball Team . . . **Front Row**: Manager Sheena Jessee, Amber Salyer, Brittany Ring, Kimberly Sproles, Ryanne Ramey, and Brittany Elam. **Second Row**: Coach Mike Roberson, Krista Honaker, Audrea Sanders, Jennifer Puckett, Lauren Wallace, Jaclyn Byerley, Summer Chafin, Pamela Gordon, Alicia King, Stevi Willis, Katherine Tarr, and Coach Tom Allen.

ETCHED IN STONE

CHS	OPPONENT	
15,15	Powell Valley	8,1
15,17	Honaker	8,15
15,15	Lebanon	11,4
15,15	Coeburn	2,3
15,15	Lebanon	5,8
14,11	Honaker	16,15
8,17,5	Rye Cove	15,15,15
13,15,8	Haysi	15,3,15
15,15	Powell Valley	3,7
12,4	Rye Cove	15,15
7,10	Twin Springs	15,15
15,15	Thomas Walker	1,4
15,15	Thomas Walker	9,4
11,14	Twin Springs	15,16

▲Junior Varsity Boys' Basketball Team . . . **Front Row**: Max Morris, Johnathon Salyer, Cody [illegible], Heath Fields, and Brandon Talford. **Back Row**: Coach Barry Ruff, Seth Collins, Jamie Castle, Ricky Gibson, Coach John Sado, Daven Phillips, Matthew Barnette, Casey Dotson, and Coach Daniel Jessee.

ETCHED IN STONE

CHS	OPPONENT	
30	Holston	32
47	Lebanon	19
67	Coeburn	68
35	Lebanon	39
36	Honaker	47
46	Ervinton	34
50	Coeburn	45
48	Twin Springs	46
45	Thomas Walker	38
34	Honaker	43
46	Ervinton	23
59	Rye Cove	19
41	Twin Springs	26
37	Holston	47
43	Rye Cove	21
42	St. Paul	51
35	St. Paul	41
45	Thomas Walker	33
61	St. Paul	44

▲Junior Varsity Softball Team . . . **Front Row**: Kimberly Sproles, Brittany Ring, [illegible] Carpenter, Summer Chafin, Asha Patrick, Amanda Salyer, and Candace Justice. **Back Row**: Coach Tom Bradley, Amy Jessee, Heather Bradley, Katherine Tarr, Lauren Wallace, Michelle Puckett, Damara Fields, Rebecca Patrick, Coach Linda Miotke, and Coach Gary Miotke.

ETCHED IN STONE

CHS	OPPONENT	
17	Honaker	2
16	Lebanon	3
11	Honaker	6
9	Lebanon	3
15	Lebanon	1
21	Rye Cove	3
8	St. Paul	7
13	Lebanon	7
8	Lebanon	3
11	Lebanon	9
5	St. Paul	2
12	Twin Springs	11
5	Chilhowie	13
13	Patrick Henry	0
14	Twin Springs	3
16	St. Paul	8

▲Junior Varsity Baseball Team . . . **Front Row**: Jonathon Salyer, Hunter Robinson, Derick Phillips, Josh [illegible] Carpenter, and [illegible] Chafin. **Back Row**: Coach Barry Ruff, Matthew Barnette, Brandon Talford, [illegible] Shane Hall, [illegible] and Jamie Castle.

ETCHED IN STONE

CHS	OPPONENT	
10	Twin Springs	9
4	Honaker	7
5	Patrick Henry	16
0	Honaker	11
9	St. Paul	5
14	St. Paul	6
15	Twin Springs	2
10	Twin Springs	8

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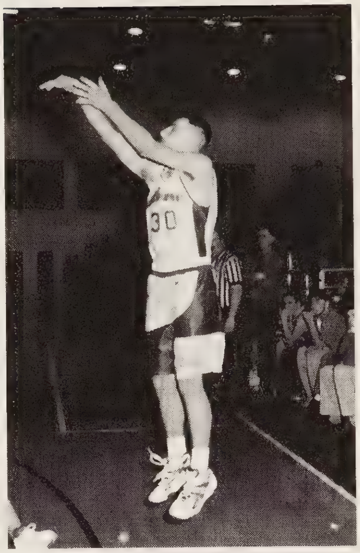
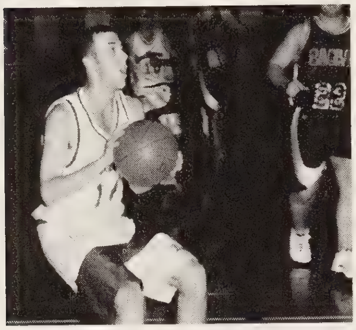
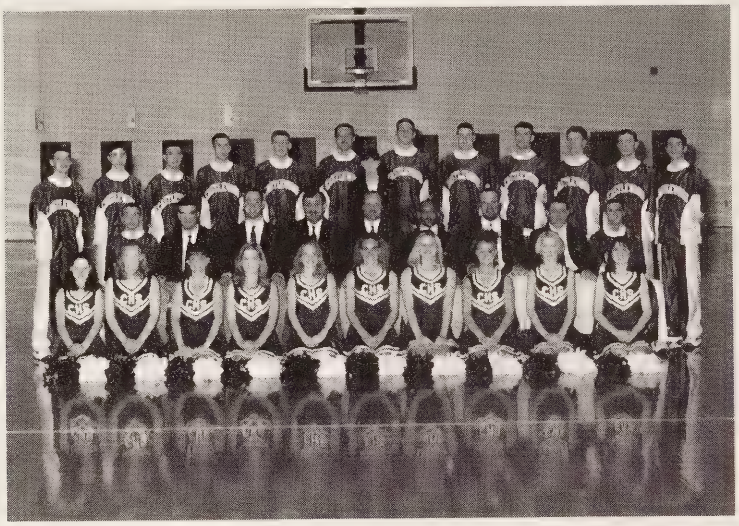
▶**Look at that follow-through . . .** Senior Brandon Bush shoots from the three-point line at the home game against St. Paul. Brandon added six points to the 85-63 victory.

▼**Shoot for two . . .** Senior Evan Hearl pauses before shooting the ball against the Rye Cove Eagles.



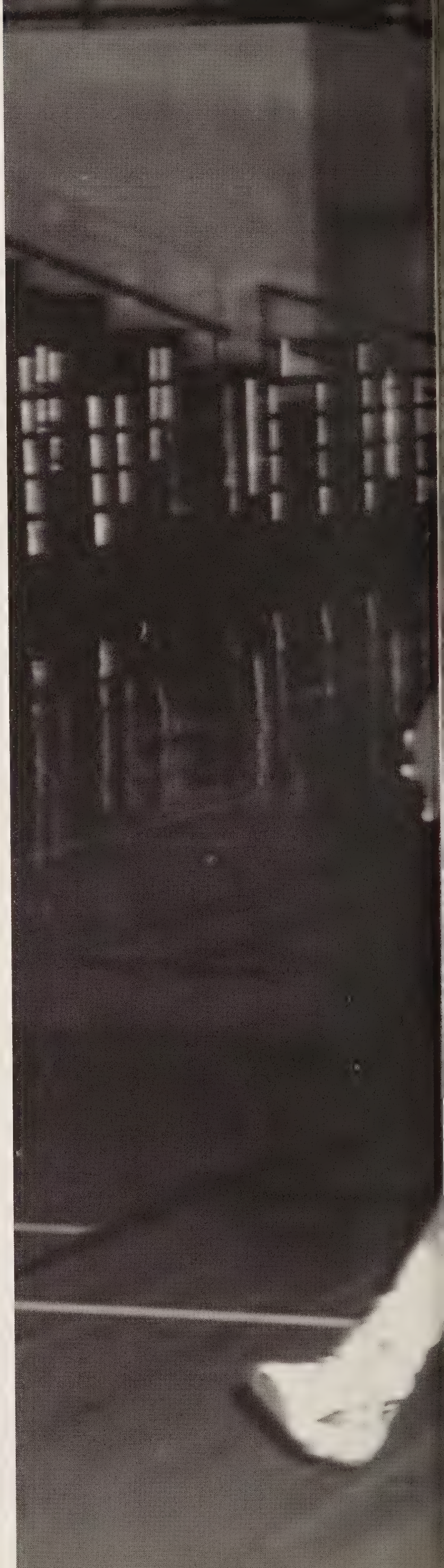




▲**Boys'Varsity Basketball and Varsity Cheerleaders . . . FIRST ROW:** Nikki Blanton, Sheena Austin, Alishia Cox, Courtney King, Courtney Jessee, Ashley Addington, Traci Poole, Jessica Clevinger, Whitney Phillips, and Trista Hicks. **SECOND ROW:** Josh Riddle, Kelly King, Daniel Jessee, John Sabo, Randy Poole, Maurice Hayes, Barry Ruff, Freddie Holbrook, and Eric Glovier. **THIRD ROW:** Ray Mullins, Matt Brooks, Derick Phillips, Evan Hearl, Robert Frazier, Ricky Neece, Kim Salyers, William Fields, Josh Bradley, Brandon Bush, Grady Kring, Travis Nash, and Matt Justice.

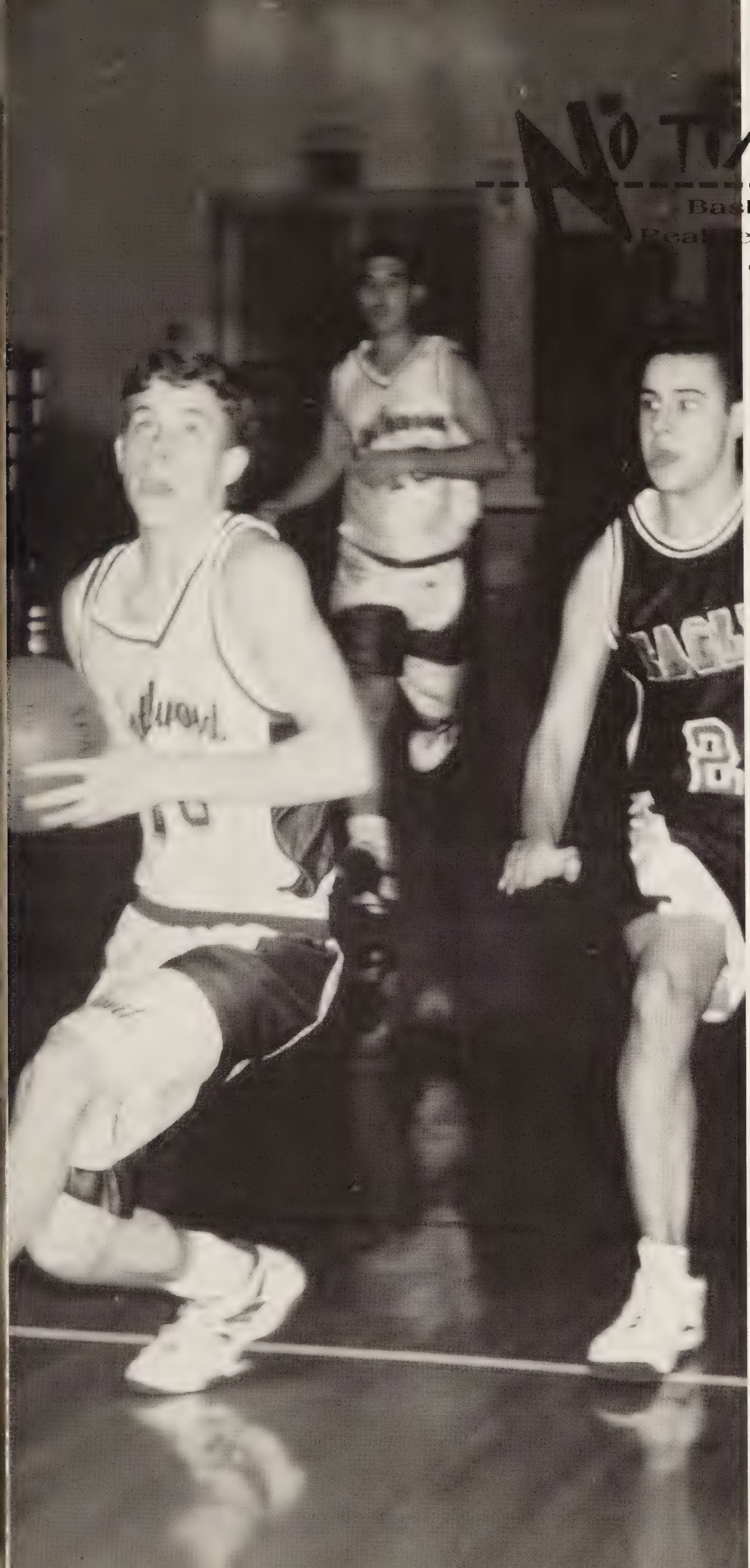
ETCHED IN STONE

CHS	OPPONENT	
79	Holston	71
49	Lebanon	60
68	Coeburn	71
55	Lebanon	75
57	J.I. Burton	68
78	St. Paul	67
55	Grundy	69
58	Honaker	56
92	Ervinton	54
91	Coeburn	61
64	Twin Springs	52
85	St. Paul	63
85	Thomas Walker	40
53	Honaker	56
88	Ervinton	65
77	Rye Cove	64
58	Twin Springs	46
80	Holston	69
72	Rye Cove	40
84	St. Paul	61
71	Thomas Walker	49
81	Rye Cove	42
61	Twin Springs	75
60	Haysi	90



NO TIME OUTS

Basketball Players Realized the Importance of Practice



While most students enjoyed sleeping in on snow days, members of the Boys' Basketball Team were not quite as fortunate.

Fossil Fact

In 1988, the Basketball Team went to State.

In order to have a good season, Coach Poole and Coach Sabo knew that practice had to be an every day occurrence; thus, they required team members to come in for practice despite weather conditions.

Basketball team members plowed their way into the new gym at 10:00 a.m. for practice, and as Senior Brandon Bush remarked, *"It was hard to get up for practice because I stayed up all night."* He was quickly awakened as practice involved running laps, going over plays, and conditioning.

There were other team members, however, who liked morning practices. Junior Derrick Phillips remembered, *"I thought practicing in the morning was better, because I could have the rest of the day off."*

The team proved that the early bird **did** catch the worm as they ended the season as Cumberland District Champs.

◄**Lay it in gracefully** . . . Sophomore Grady Kring drives toward the bucket for a lay-up as he penetrates the Rye Cove Eagles' defense. The home game ended with a Rye Cove defeat with a score of 77-64. Grady added six points to the score.

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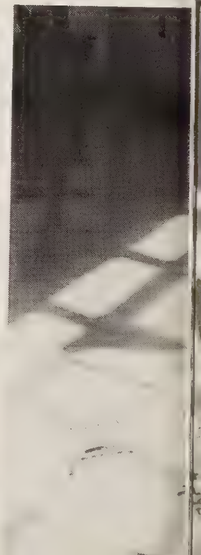
►**Varsity Basketball Cheerleaders . . . FIRST ROW:** Courtney Jessee, Courtney King, Sheena Austin, Alishia Cox, and Nikki Blanton. **SECOND ROW:** Jessica Clevinger, Whitney Phillips, Traci Poole, Trista Hicks, and Ashley Addington.



THEIR STUFF

Hopeful Cheerleaders Prepared for Tryouts

I hope I made it! Many girls who tried out for a position on the Varsity Boys' Basketball Cheerleading Squad reiterated this common phrase.

These advantageous girls had one week of practice to get ready for tryouts. Practices, which were held in the foyer of the new gym, entailed stretching, running, and voice exercises, and were supervised by Mrs. Miotke, the cheerleading sponsor.

Tryouts, which were conducted by three experienced judges, were held in the auditorium. The girls were critiqued on things such as appearance, voice, stunts, chants, and both individual and group cheers.

For some, the tryout process was both nerve-racking and challenging. Sophomore Courtney King added, *"When I get nervous my mind goes blank; but I remembered how hard I'd practiced for tryouts."* Others were like Senior Ashley Addington who took the procedure with a little more nonchalant attitude and added, *"My tryout cheer came to me five seconds before I went on stage!"*

Each of the cheerleaders worked hard and strutted her stuff during tryouts to prove she could make it as a cheerleader.

Fossil Fact

Between 1960 and 1963, girls could participate only in cheerleading.

And the survey says. . .

What would you like to see every cheerleader be able to do?

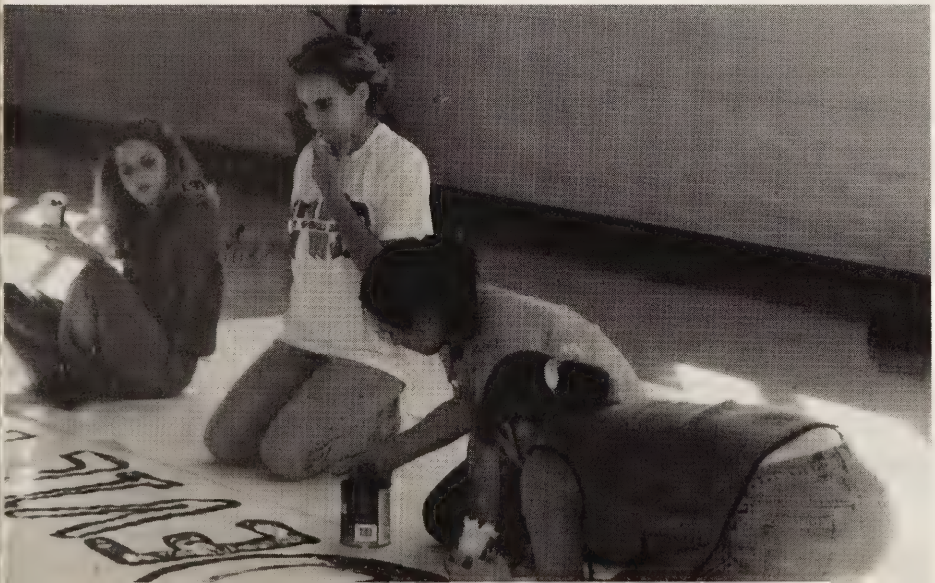
Somersaults, 26%

Back Flips, 58%

Spilts, 16%

50 Students Surveyed

◄**You know you make me want to shout . . .** The cheerleaders pump up the crowd at an away game at Thomas Walker. The game ended with a 71 to 49 victory over the Pioneers. Even though it was Thomas Walker's Homecoming, the cheerleaders were determined not to let anything take away from *their* spirit.



◄**Decisions, decisions . . .** Senior cheerleaders Courtney Jessee and Ashley Addington, and freshmen cheerleaders Nikki Blanton and Trista Hicks think hard about what colors to use on their run-through as they work on it in the foyer of the new gym. The cheerleaders' runthroughs were often very clever and colorful. The squad spent a lot of time on perfecting these runthroughs for games.

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NOT SETTING DOWN

Volleyball Team Never Gives Up

The Volleyball Team began the season with high hopes, and they met these same goals by making it to the State Tournament.

The volleyball players started the season by ripping their way through the other three teams in the district, earning the title as Runner-Up District Champs and a spot in the playoffs. Following their regular season, the team played six more matches. Once again the group proved themselves and won a spot in the State Semi-Finals. The team's season was ended by Auburn in a close three game match, and as Senior Greta Jessee added, *"As a Senior I was very excited about coming so close to a State Championship!"*

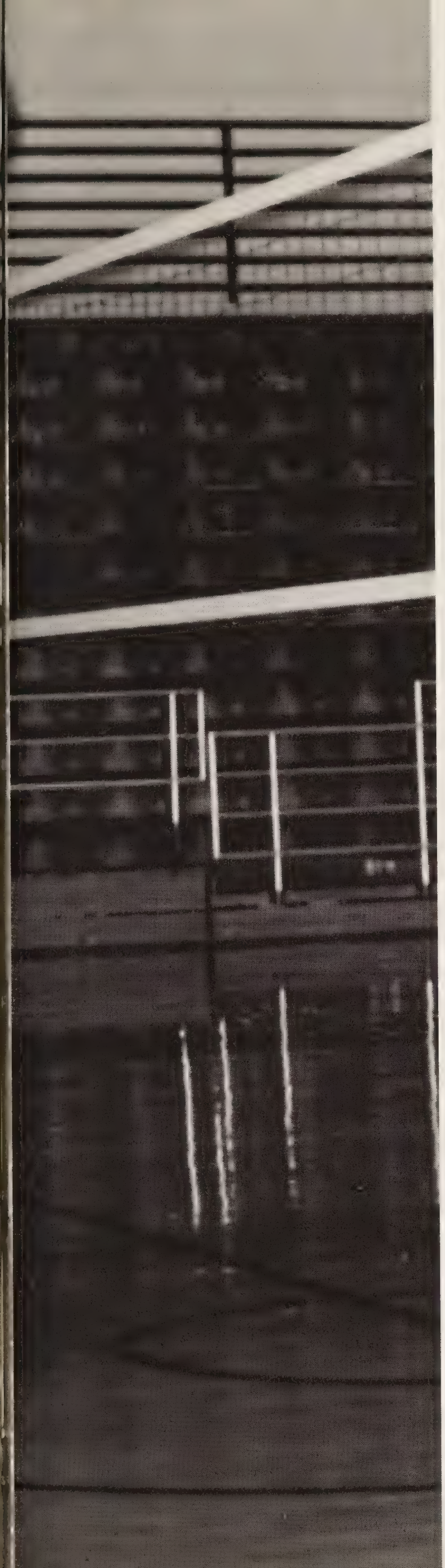
Fossil Fact

1979 was the first year volleyball was an official sport.

In spite of this loss, the team gained experience for future team members. Sophomore Jennifer Puckett, who moved up to Varsity for the playoffs, had a positive attitude by saying, *"It was a great experience to play ball with older and more educated girls."*

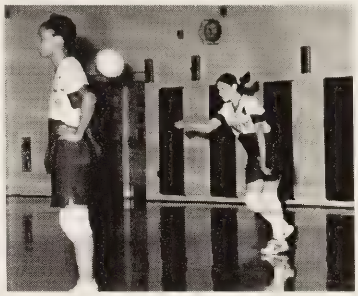
The team refused to "set" down as they worked together to achieve a winning season.

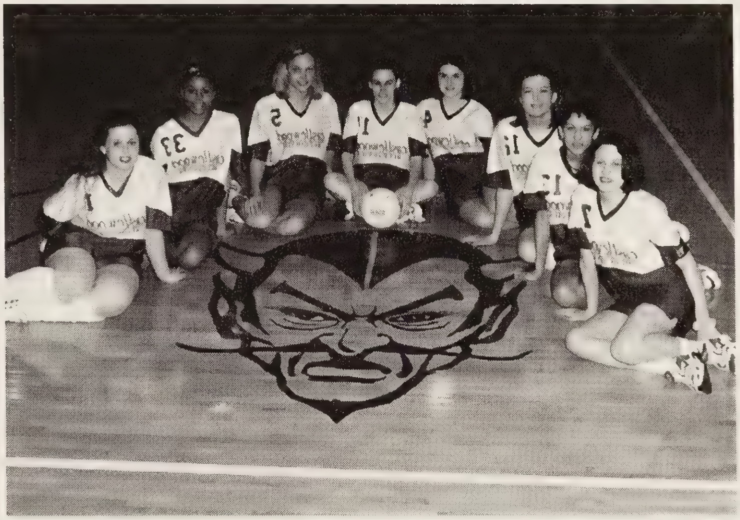
►**Setter instinct** . . . Senior Shonna Glovier backsets the ball for a kill at a home volleyball game against Powell Valley. Shonna, an experienced volleyball player, earned the title of both District and Regional Setter of the Year.

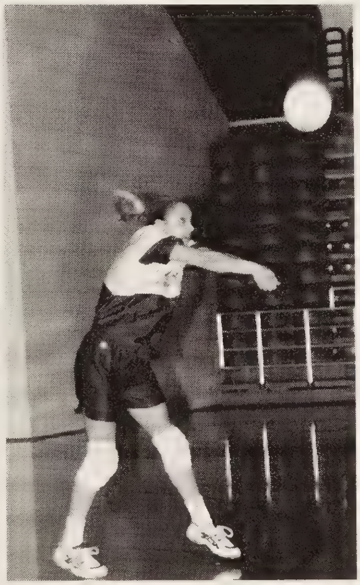


◀Watch out, coming over . . . Junior Amanda Taylor hits the ball over the net during practice in the old gym.

▼Servin' away . . . Senior Amy Jones completes another serve for a point at a home volleyball game against Powell Valley as Junior Jessica Cain looks on.







▲Varsity Volleyball Team . . . LEFT TO RIGHT: Amanda Taylor, Jessica Cain, Captain Greta Jessee, Captain Shonna Glovier, Captain Amy Jones, Traci Long, Louise Gibson, and Melissa Boyd.

ETCHED IN STONE

CHS	OPPONENT	
15,15	Powell Valley	10,4
15,15	Lebanon	3,12
13,10,13	Honaker	15,15,15
10,15,15	Coeburn	15,1,1
15,15	Lebanon	6,9
14,3	Honaker	16,15
11,4	Rye Cove	15,15
12,15,12	Haysi	15,4,15
15,15	Powell Valley	9,7
11,4	Rye Cove	15,15
15,10,15	Twin Springs	3,15,7
15,15	Thomas Walker	1,9
15,15	Thomas Walker	2,1
15,15	Twin Springs	4,3
15,15	Twin Springs	1,12
8,5	Rye Cove	15,15
9,15,15	Haysi	15,11,13
15,15	Pound	11,7
2,5	Rye Cove	15,15
9,15,6	Auburn	15,12,15

▲I've got it! . . . Senior Greta Jessee returns a serve at a home game in the new gym. The Volleyball Team ended their season with a 13-12 record and were ranked eighth in the State.

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DROPPING THE POUNDS

Wrestlers Struggled to Lose Weight

What did wrestlers have to worry about besides being physically fit and overpowering their opponents? *Dieting!* Since there were specified weight divisions in which each team member had to be classified, many wrestlers found themselves struggling to reach and maintain their desired weight level.

On average, no wrestler had to drop more than thirty pounds; however, losing even five pounds could prove to be a tough obstacle. *''Losing weight is hard mentally and physically on your body, but that's the price you pay for wanting to strive for the best,''* stated Senior Heath Francis.

ETCHED IN STONE

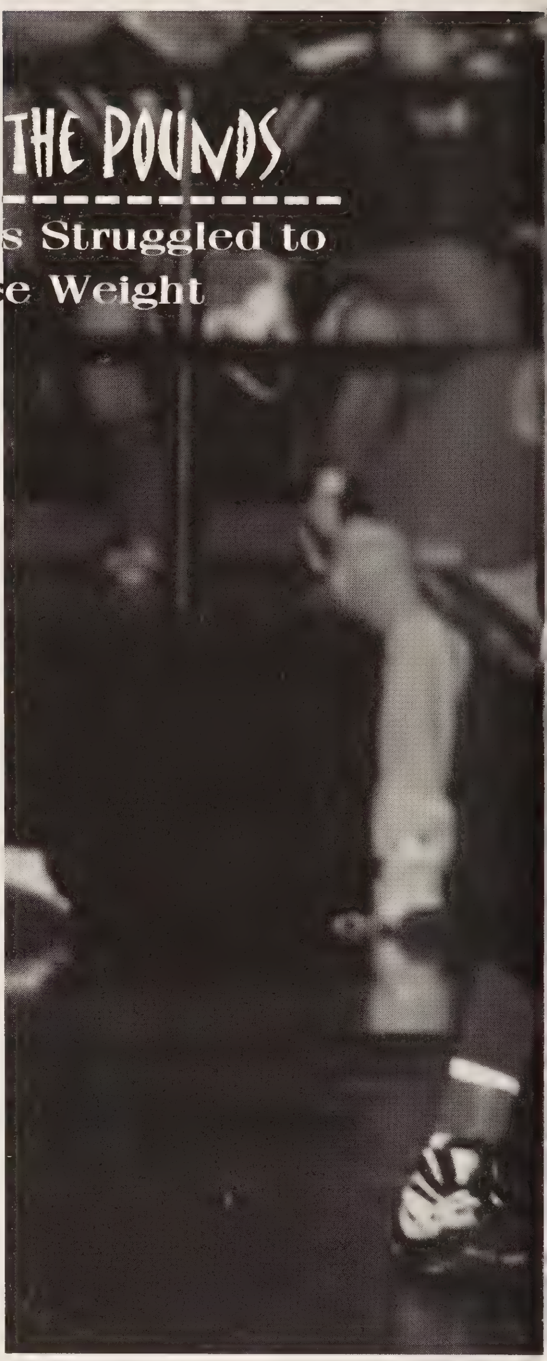
CHS	OPPONENT	
22	Ashe County	54
15	J. J. Kelly	56
42	Holston	24
30	Patrick Henry	15
18	Powell Valley	31
24	Science Hill	55
16	Virginia High	45
33	Fort Chiswel	24
21	Northwood	45
30	Lebanon	54
12	Coeburn	63
12	J.J. Kelly	63
33	Patrick Henry	27
33	Fort Chiswel	27
33	Chilhowie	45

Wrestlers were forced to find unique ways of getting rid of extra weight. Some tried the typical dieting. Others, on the other hand, opted to try gruelling exercises like running with extra clothing to increase fluid loss. As Sophomore Jacob Holbrook said, *''Getting down to 130 lbs. was hard and stressful. But with a lot of determination I did it.''*

Fossil Fact

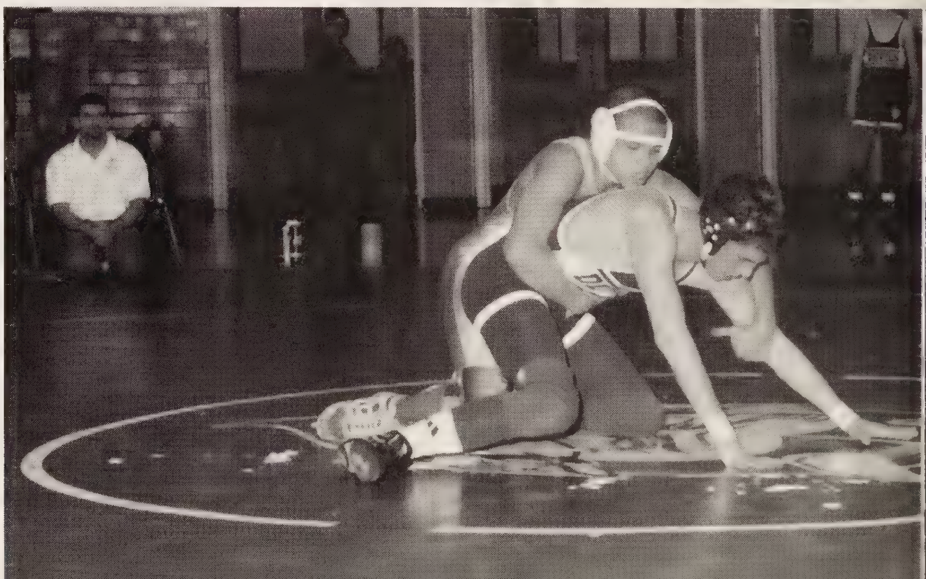
From 1960 to 1963, there was no wrestling team.

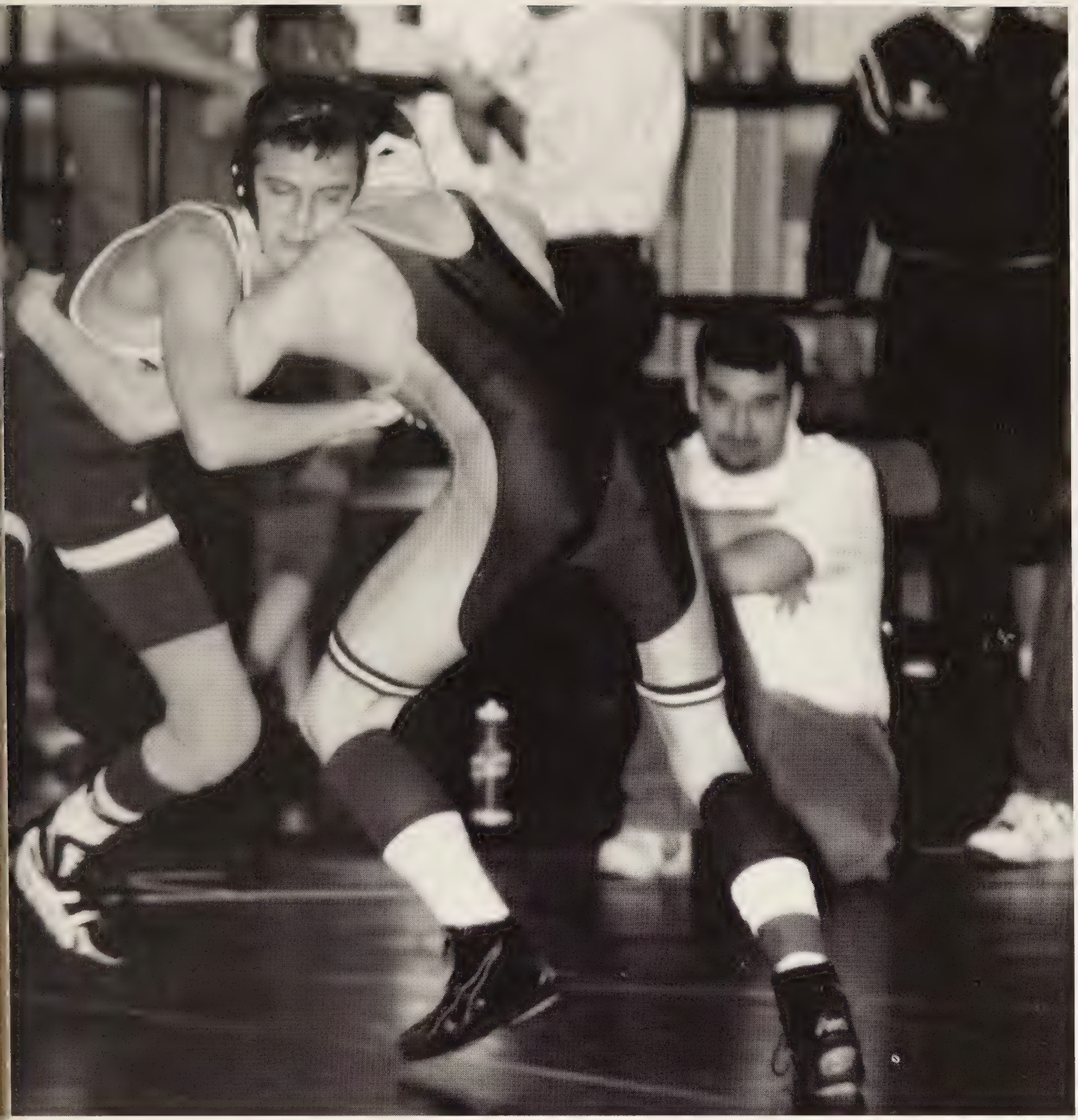
In the end, the eight members of the Wrestling Team each realized that wrestling was a challenging sport that required discipline, aggression, and even dropping some pounds.

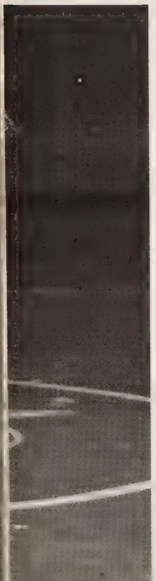


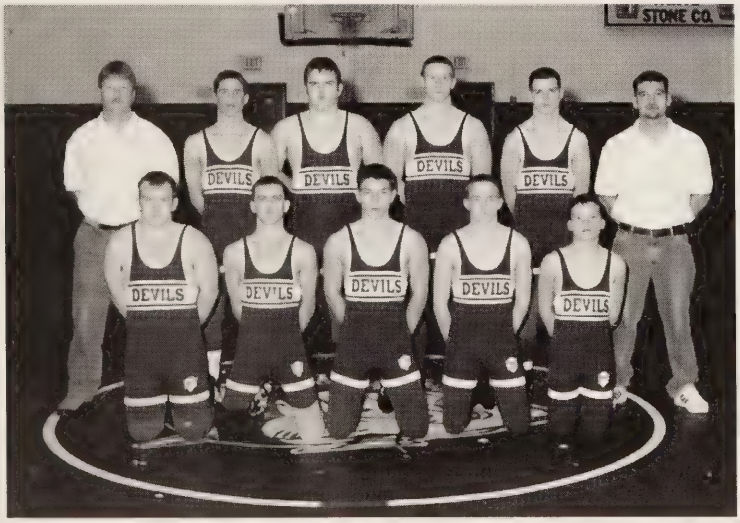
Round and round we go . . . Senior Heath Francis attempts to take a John Battle opponent to the mat. Heath went on to win the match as well as going undefeated, being named All-District and All-Regional, and placing third at State.

►Physical contact . . . Senior Chad Smith attempts to get a reversal move on Powell Valley's 145-pound opponent as Assistant Coach Todd Glovier looks on and Sophomore Adam Jessee prepares to wrestle next. Chad ended this home match in the old gymnasium with a pin.





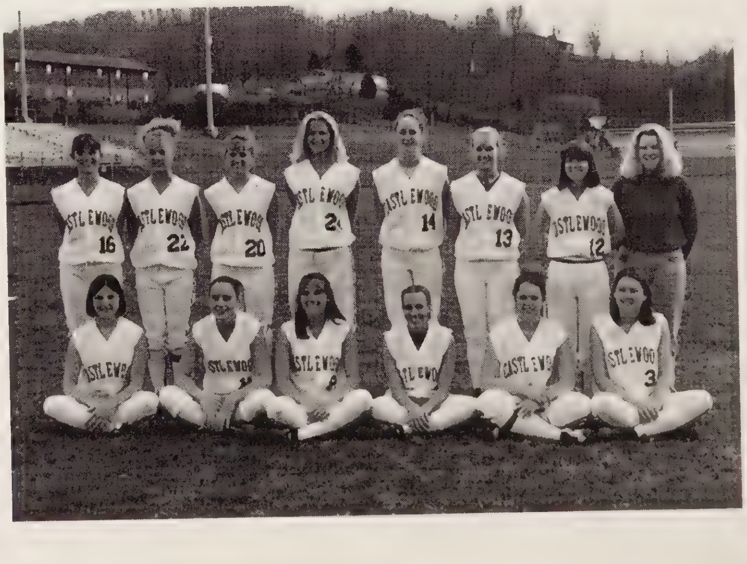




◄Varsity Wrestling Team . . . FRONT ROW: Daniel Compton, Heath Francis, Chris Light, Jacob Holbrook, and Cody Smith. **BACK ROW:** Coach Darrell Taylor, Chad Smith, Eric Ervin, Ryan McDaniel, Adam Jessee, and Assistant Coach Todd Glover.

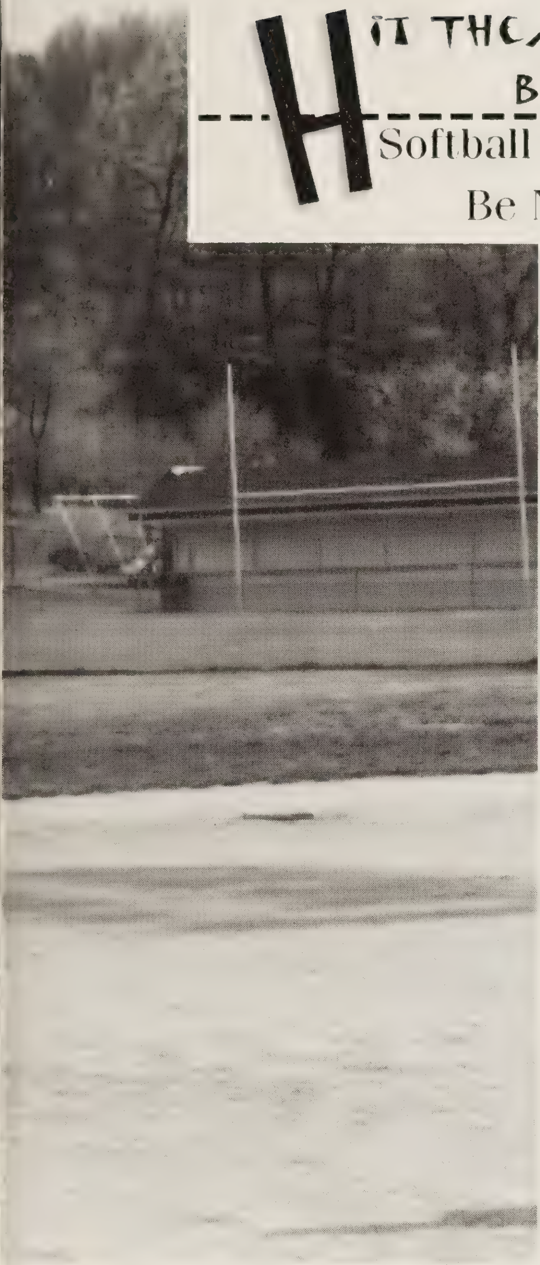
D. Compton, Layout; M. Dye,
Copy; O. Mills, Photography

►**Varsity Softball Team . . . FRONT ROW**: Amy Jones, Jessica Hogg, McKinsey Huff, Ashley Addington, Amanda Taylor, and Traci Long. **BACK ROW**: Alishia Cox, Jessica Clevinger, Kayla Buckles, Traci Poole, Tracey Evans, Alicia King, Cindy Bradley, and Manager Sheena Jessee.



HIT THEM WITH YOUR BEST SHOT

Softball Tryouts Proved to Be Nerve Racking



I can't believe how many people are trying out, I hope I make the team. This very thought ran through the mind of each newcomer trying out for the Varsity Softball Team.

The first day of tryouts began at 5:00 p.m. on the softball field. Together there were 18 girls who attended tryouts, 10 of which were veterans of the Varsity Softball Team. The other 8 that made an appearance were newcomers to the team.

Not only were these newcomers nervous about making the team, they were also nervous about playing in a more "up to speed" environment. It was intimidating for some students to have to compete against the many girls who were trying out. When asked what part of tryouts was most nerve racking, Freshman Tracey Evans replied, *"I was nervous on the first day of tryouts because there were a lot of girls trying out, and I was worried about making the team."*

Exercising was a major downfall of tryouts. When asked what part of tryouts she disliked the most, Freshman Alicia King replied, *"The part about tryouts that I disliked was running sprints on the football field."*

During tryouts, both newcomers and veterans hit it with their best shot as they worked for a position on the team.

Fossil Fact

In 1989, the softball team recorded only 2 losses during the season.

ETCHED IN STONE

CHS	OPPONENT	
8	Honaker	5
13	Coeburn	0
5	Lebanon	3
11	Honaker	10
1	Coeburn	5
13	Rye Cove	0
3	St. Paul	1
25	Ervinton	0
3	Lebanon	2
1	St. Paul	0
7	Twin Springs	0
4	Twin Springs	5
4	Patrick Henry	6
5	Haysi	2
15	Ervinton	0
4	Rye Cove	1
0	Richlands	1
2	Patrick Henry	7
6	Haysi	1
3	Appalachia	1

◀**Looking beyond** . . . Seniors Jessica Hogg, McKinsey Huff, and Ashley Addington get ready to play their positions, as Sophomore Kayla Buckles waits for the ball to be hit. Through rain or shine, the Varsity Softball Team made the effort to practice and sharpen their skills on the field behind the school.

◀**Don't stop, get it, get it** . . . Junior Amanda Taylor steps forward to cover home plate as she prepares to get an out at a home game against the Honaker Tigers. The ladies played tough against the Tigers and beat them both at home and away during the regular season.

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SOLID SWINGERS

Those Trying out for Baseball Gave It Their All

Sweaty hands, tense muscles, queasy stomachs. These symptoms could be a sign of the flu, or it could happen to be symptoms of someone trying out for the Baseball Team.

Fifteen young men ventured onto the baseball field each in hopes of earning a position on the Varsity Baseball Team. Each hopeful player knew this would not be an easy task. Sophomore Grady Kring voiced his opinion, *"Tryouts were a lot harder because Coach Hayes worked us hard."* Junior Matt Justice agreed by adding, *"Tryouts were a lot of hard work and a lot of pressure, but it was fun."*

Tryouts were held on the baseball field during good weather; and, when inclement weather decided to take over, the boys moved to the gym. Each athlete that tried out was accustomed to the hitting, running, and catching that came with tryouts since all fifteen had previous baseball experience.

During tryouts, Coach Hayes worked everyone at different positions to find at which each excelled. Each boy gave it all he had during tryouts, and for thirteen young athletes it all paid off as they earned a spot on the Varsity Baseball Team. They showed they had the ability to be solid swingers and earned a successful season.

Fossil Fact

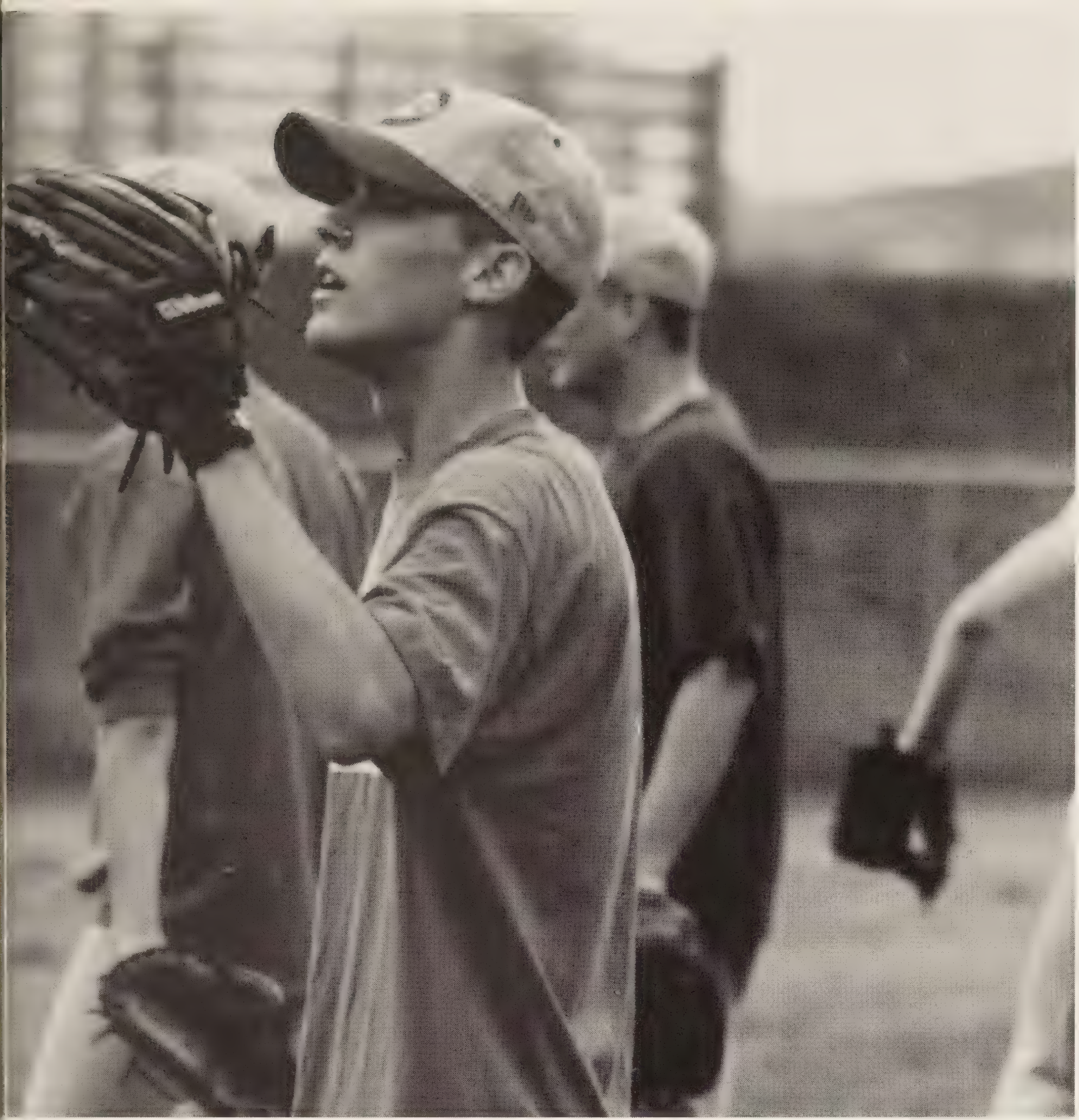
Dan Glass coached the baseball team from 1986-1999 and out of those years they made it to the State Tournament three times.

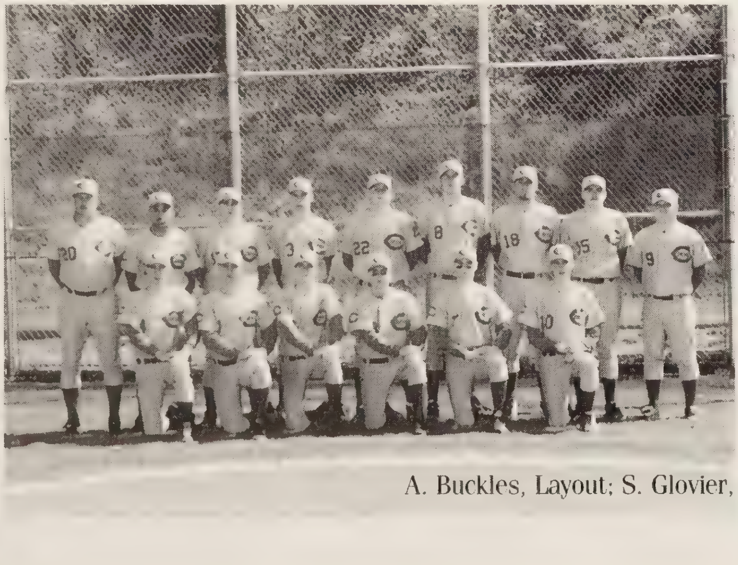
ETCHED IN STONE

CHS		OPPONENT
0	Lebanon	5
7	Honaker	2
16	Patrick Henry	14
10	Rye Cove	0
0	St. Paul	10
11	Thomas Walker	7
1	St. Paul	6
9	Norton	7
24	Rye Cove	1
10	Ervinton	2
10	Twin Springs	9
5	Thomas Walker	6
11	Twin Springs	8
4	Honaker	10
8	Lebanon	7
11	Ervinton	1
11	Ervinton	5
5	St. Paul	4
1	Coeburn	11

►**Keep your eye on the ball . . .** Junior Eric Glovier watches intently as he waits to receive the ball from another team member during practice on the new baseball field.

►**Huddle up . . .** The Varsity Baseball Team groups around the coaches to see what they need to improve during a home game against district rival St. Paul. Unfortunately, this particular game ended with a loss for the team; however, they rallied in a late game to beat St. Paul 5-4 to become Cumberland District Tournament Champions.





◄Varsity Baseball Team. . . FIRST ROW: Matthew Justice, Derick Phillips, Cody Cress, Josh Riddle, Justin Worley, and Matthew Brooks. **SECOND ROW:** Coach Randy Poole, Coach Maurice Hayes, Jason Castle, Grady Kring, Matthew Dye, William Fields, Brandon Bush, Mark Dye, and Coach Scott Kiser.

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▶Boys' and Girls' Track Teams . . . FIRST ROW: Wesley Hall, Nikki Blanton, Tara Carpenter, Ashley Vanover, Ashley Addington, Pamela Gordon, Lauren Wallace, and Jessica Hicks.**SECOND ROW:**David Hileman, Freddie Holbrook, Jessica Cain, Traci Poole, Amy Branson, Jennifer White, Stevi Willis, Matthew Puckett, and Jonathan Salyers. **THIRD ROW:** CoachTom Allen, Ray Mullins, Chad Smith, Grady Kring, Jes Stacy, Chris Light, Michael Cozzolino, and Coach Larry Shortt.**FOURTH ROW:** Eric Ervin, Dusty Holbrook, Daniel Johnson, Chase King, Jarred Glass, David Crabtree, Randy Meade, Josh Bradley, Charlie Selfe, Adam Helton, and Matt Dye.

SPINNING GRAVELS

Track Members "Raced" To Pick Events

Decisions, decisions. Those were the words echoed by students before track practice started. Members from the Boys' and Girls' Track Teams had difficulty picking an event. From the hundred meters to the high jump or the two-mile to the shot put, it proved to be a challenging obstacle to pick one event. As Eighth Grader Jonathan Meade said, *"Picking an event was hard, especially if you've never run track before."*

For the first two weeks of practice, Coach Shortt ran everyone the same distances. They started out running 4 laps and sprints to see at what event each person was best.

Day after day the teams would head down to the baseball field and take off around the track. As Sophomore David Hileman said, *"Picking an event is the hardest part of track because you don't know what you're best at until you've tried everything."*

After the first two weeks, the athletes split into their events and continued to practice. The spinning of gravels and the burning of rubber soles were seen as each and every member of both teams took to the races and blasted around the track.

Fossil Fact

From 1957 to 1962, there was no track team.

ETCHED IN STONE

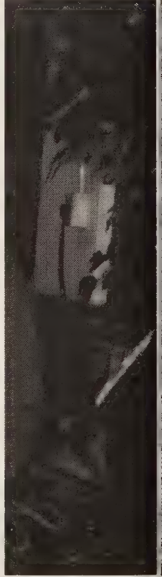
BOYS		GIRLS
2 out of 3	Lebanon	Incomplete
2 out of 3	Lebanon	2 out of 3
1 out of 4	Chilhowie	2 out of 4
3 out of 4	Lebanon	3 out of 4
5 out of 10	Wise	Incomplete
3 out of 7	Powell Valley	5 out of 7
3 out of 4	Lebanon	Incomplete
2 out of 2	Lebanon	2 out of 2
1 out of 6	Cumberland Districts	5 out of 6
4 out of 19	Region D	Incomplete

◄**Eat my dust . . .** Junior Jessica Cain "smokes" all of her Lebanon opponents in the 100-meter race during the All-County Track Meet in Lebanon on April 1. This was the first All-County meet held on Lebanon's new track. The Boys' Team finished second out of three teams as did the Girls' Team.

◄**Off to the races . . .** Freshman Charlie Selfe leads the pack as Juniors Ryan McDanieland Michael Cozzolino and Sophomore David Hileman work their way through the runners at a Saturday track meet held at Lebanon's new track. These endurance athletes each ran in the one mile event.

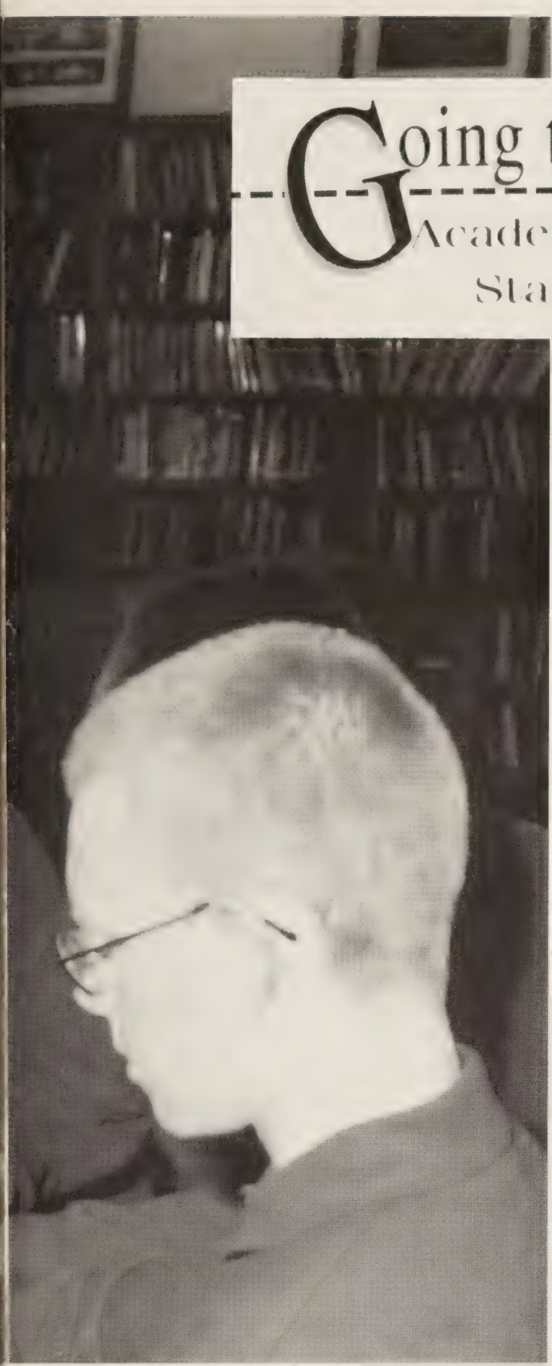
T. Nash, Layout; T. Nash, Copy; Olan Mills, Photography

►**Academic Team . . . FIRST ROW:** Amy Bartee, Chase Porter, Jeana Willis, and Cole Osborne. **SECOND ROW:** Mrs. Hudson, Jeff Stevens, Michael Sutherland, and Eric Ervin.



Going the Distance

Academic Team Went to State Competetion



Buzz, buzz, buzz. This was a common sound at Academic Team matches as team members anxiously rang in with answers. Buzzing obviously paid off in the end as the Academic Team went all the way to the State Scholastic Bowl as Region D Runners-up. The team traveled eight long hours to the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg and were accompanied by parents and chaperones.

Not only did the team compete, but they also met new people and saw new sites. *"It was fun. I met many interesting people,"* commented Senior Jeff Stevens. Senior Captain Michael Sutherland remarked that, *"Representing Castlewood High School for the first time at State Academic Competition was a great honor and will not be forgotten."*

After the tournament, the team relaxed and took in some sites. They walked around Colonial Williamsburg admiring places like the Burton Parish Church, the Governor's Palace, and the Capitol. Others opted to talk with other teams from across the state of Virginia.

The Academic Team went the distance and proved they had what it took to make it all the way to State.

Fossil Fact

During the 1997-1998 season, the Virginia High School League registered Academics as a sport.

Etched in Stone

CHS	OPPONENT	
Win	Rye Cove	Loss
Win	Ervinton	Loss
Win	Twin Springs	Loss
Win	Thomas Walker	Loss
Win	Rye Cove	Loss
Win	Ervinton	Loss
Win	Twin Springs	Loss
Loss	Thomas Walker	Win

◄**Tick tock, tick tock . . .** Seniors Jeff Stevens and Michael Sutherland and Juniors Eric Ervin and Chase Porter try to answer quickly in order to beat the time limit during academic competition in the library. The Academic Team worked efficiently to answer the questions given to them by Dr. Meyrle Allen.

◄**Noogie, noogie . . .** Junior Cole Osborne takes a break from the academic competition to goof off with Junior Chase Porter in the library. The Academic Team went to State Competition where they finished in a tie with Thomas Walker for seventh place.

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HARD AS A ROCK

Conditioning Was a Vital Part of All Athletic Teams

Everybody, five laps! An army boot camp? No, actually anyone who participated in athletics knew this phrase all too well. Getting in shape and conditioning was a vital part of any athletic team.

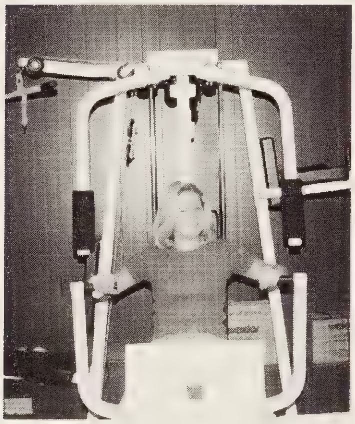
Every group from cheerleaders to the track team did some type of conditioning. The Football Team did aerobics and lifted weights to prepare for their opponents. The Boys' and Girls' Basketball Teams had to build their stamina so they ran steps, laps around the gym, and jumped rope. The Baseball Team strengthened their legs by running windsprints, and The Volleyball Team ran laps and passed a medicine ball to pump up their muscles. Cheerleaders also took part in conditioning as they ran laps and did sit-ups to help them execute stunts and cheers.

When asked about conditioning, most had the same opinion. Junior Mark Dye stated, *"I hated conditioning, but it was key to winning games."* Junior Ryan McDaniel similarly added, *"Conditioning is influential in all sports, but extremely needed for a productive wrestling season."*

Fossil Fact

In 1965, Coach Buddy Poole replaced the wooden backboards with glass ones in the old gym.

Athletes gave it their all as they conditioned to make their endurance hard as a rock.



▲**Super woman . . .** Sophomore Traci Poole finds spare time to work out at McKinsey Huff's house to help build up her muscles. Traci was involved in four different sports, so she understood the importance of conditioning and keeping in shape.

►**You can do it . . .** Senior Ricky Neece encourages Sophomore Grady Kring to keep on pushing. Grady and Ricky were lifting weights in the fieldhouse following a light football practice.

►**Pumping iron . . .** Senior Chad (Buzz) Hamblin enjoys gazing at his buff body in the mirror as he lifts weights in the field house. Buzz was limited to his lifting capacity since he suffered a broken left arm during a football game; however, he did manage to lift smaller weights and do curls with his right arm.

◄They keep going and going and going . . . Freshmen Max Morris and Wesley Hall run their hearts out at Cross Country practice. Since Cross Country runners had to run a gruelling three miles at meets, Coach Shortt required them to run ten laps around the new track during practices. The Cross Country Team's work paid off, however, when they placed second at Districts and fourth at Regionals.

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SPEAKING UP

The Forensics Team Rocked Their Way Through Competition

What to do? This question had to be answered by each person on the Forensics Team before competition.

Many things were considered when students chose a category. Senior Ashley Vanover commented, *"Shane and I picked Duo so we didn't have to perform a piece by ourselves!"* Ashley may have looked to Shane for a little security in performing; however, they obviously were not insecure when it came to competition. They placed third in the Cumberland District and made it all the way to Regionals.

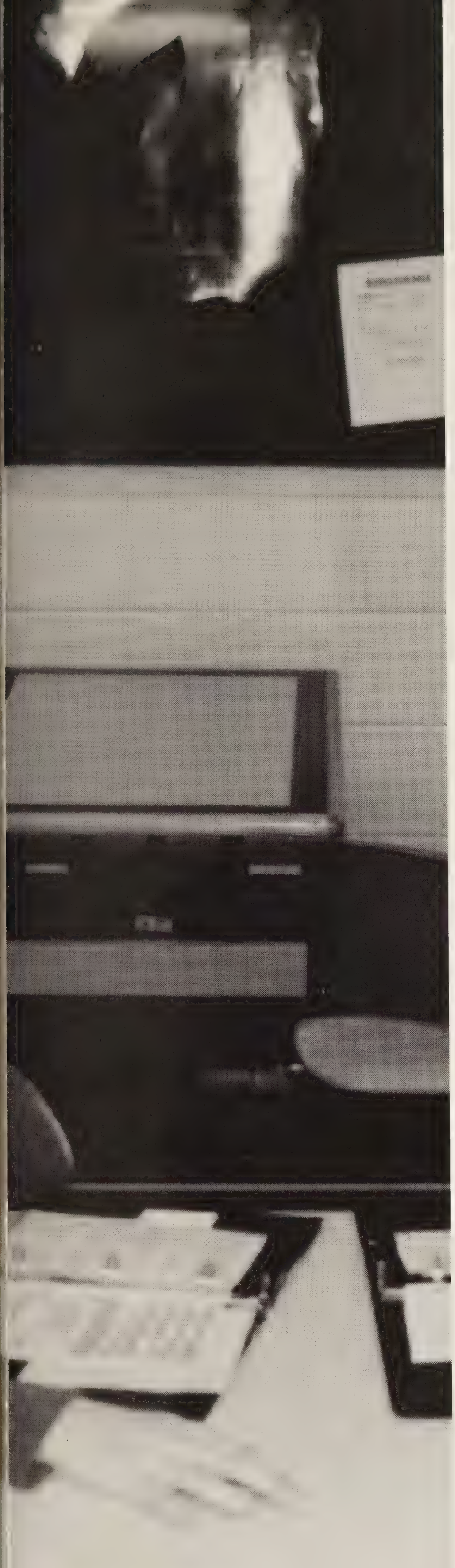
Fossil Fact

In the 1970's, Mrs. Sandy Norris was the Forensics Coach.

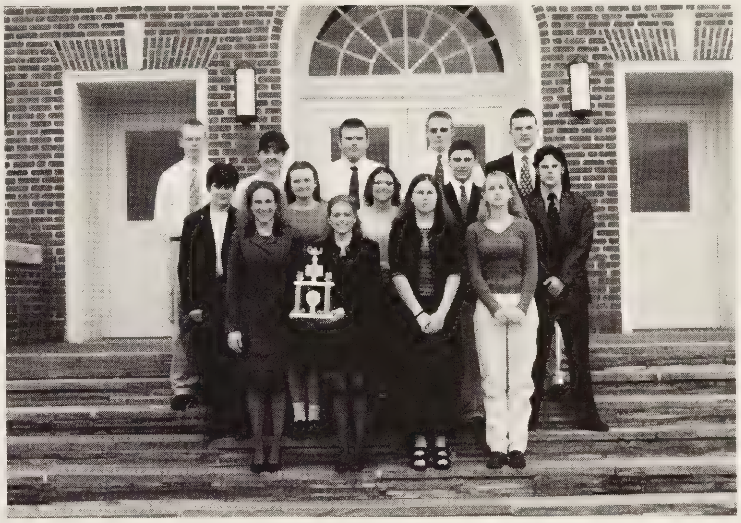
Some students had stuck with the same category year after year, and decided to try something new. Junior Chase Porter remarked, *"For the past three years, I've done Extemporaneous Speaking, and I just felt like doing something different."* The merge from extemporaneous speaking to Humorous Interpretation proved to be a wise move for Chase. He placed first in the Cumberland District and went on to place fourth at Regionals.

Despite difficult decisions, Forensic Team members had to step up and speak out in order to rock their way through the competition.

►**Practice time** . . . Senior Courtney Jessee studies her lines at MECC. Courtney competed in the Duo Category with Senior Ashley Addington. The two received perfect scores in round one.



◄**I'll go over these lines just one more time** . . . Senior Becky Meade concentrates intensely on reviewing her forensics piece at Mountain Empire Community College just before Round One begins at District Competition. Becky competed in the Original Oratory category with a piece entitled "Like Father, Like Son," and broke through the first two rounds to compete against finalists in the final round.



▲**Forensics Team** . . . **FIRST ROW:** Ashley Addington, Courtney Jessee, Brandie Sproles, and Asten Buckles. **SECOND ROW:** Rebbecca Meade, Amy Bartee, Ashley Vanover, Shane Lambert, and Michael Cozzolino. **THIRD ROW:** Chase Porter, Chasity Chafin, Eric Ervin, Ryan McDaniel, and Michael Sutherland.

ETCHED IN STONE

Competition:		**Placement:**
Cumberland District		
Serious Dramatic Interpretation	Michael Cozzolino	3rd
Duo Interpretation	Ashley Vanover & Shane Lambert	3rd
Original Oratory	Chasity Chafin	3rd
Prose	Brandi Sproles	3rd
Extemporaneous Speaking, Domestic	Jeff Stevens	2nd
Extemporaneous Speaking, Foreign	Eric Ervin	2nd
Spelling	Misty Turner	2nd
Humorous Interpretation	Chase Porter	1st
Poetry	Asten Buckles	1st
Regionals		
Humorous Interpretation	Chase Porter	4th
Poetry	Asten Buckles	4th
Prose	Brandi Sproles	4th
Spelling	Misty Turner	3rd
State		
Humorous Interpretation	Chase Porter	8th
Spelling	Misty Turner	8th

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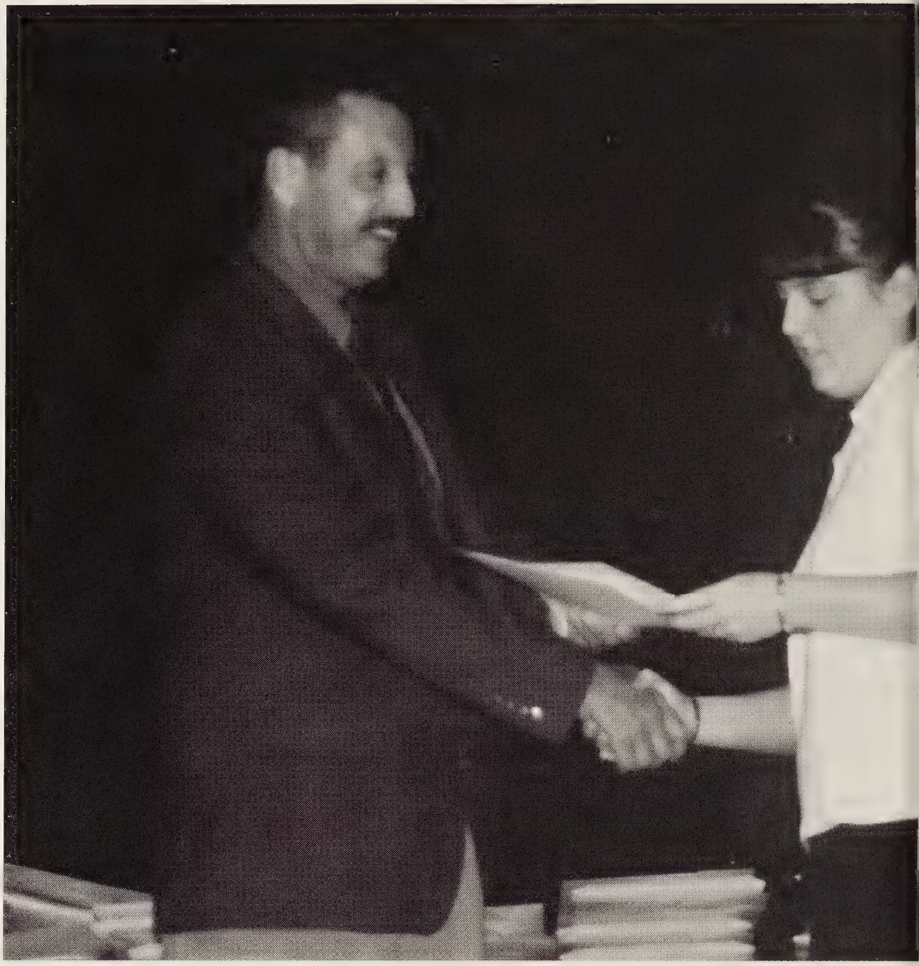
►**Sealed with a handshake** . . . Coach Kiser presents Senior Chasity Chafin with her WKPT Scholar Athlete of the Week Award on Athletic Awards Day in the auditorium. As part of her award, Chasity received a certificate, plaque, and video.

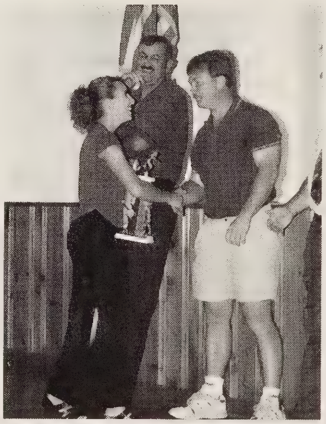
▼**How about a hug?** . . . Senior Michael Patrick receives a hug from Mrs. Bush as he makes his way through the line of coaches during Ahletic Awards Day. Michael earned a varsity letter in football and received his Senior Plaque.

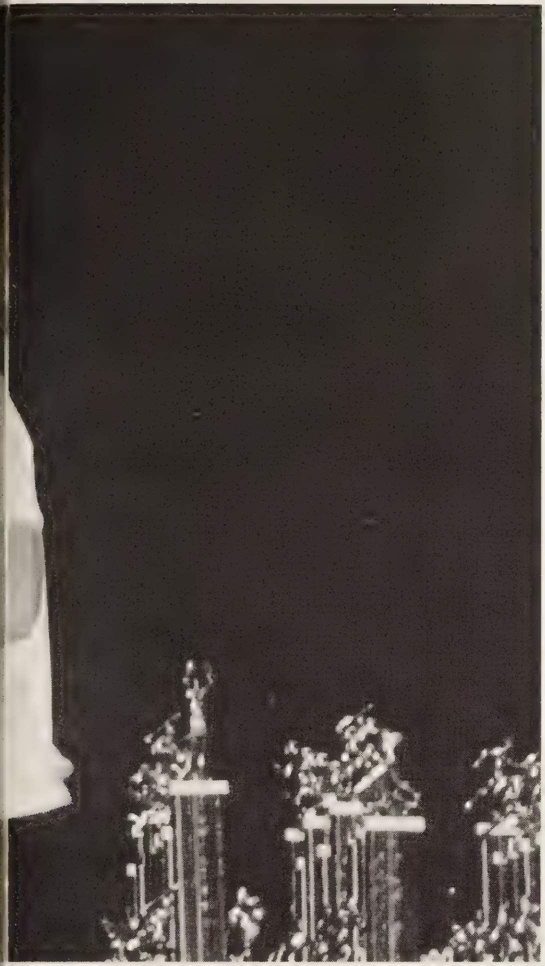
▼**Put her there son** . . . Junior Eric Ervin gives Coach Roberson a firm handshake just after he recieves his awards on Athletic Awards Day. Eric and Coach Roberson were not strangers since Coach Roberson had coached Eric in football for years.



"I feel that this year's Athletic Awards Day will show how much time and dedication I put into sports this year. Being the first female to be inducted into the Hall of Fame will be the greatest accomplishment of my high school sports career."
—Ashley Addington, Senior

►**Congratulations!** . . . Senior Ashley Addington receives a congratulatory handshake and smile from Coach Taylor as Coach Sabo gives a smile of approval during Athletic Awards Day. Ashley was the first girl to be inducted into the Hall of Fame, which was not an easy task. In order to qualify, Ashley had to earn eighteen varsity letters over her high school career. She managed this seemingly impossible task by lettering in nine sports her Senior year alone!





STANDING THEIR GROUND

Athletes Proudly Received Athletic Awards

Athletic Awards Day was a highly anticipated day for student athletes. After a year of practicing and playing a variety of sports, these athletic individuals were ready to reap the benefits.

As students filed into the auditorium, pride and high expectations filled the seats along with the student body. These expectations ran especially high for Seniors. As Senior Heath Francis said, *"It being my Senior year, I have high expectations for Awards Day. I have worked hard in football and wrestling my whole high school career. Good luck to the up-coming athletes."*

Athletic Awards Day was a way of recognizing those students who represented their school in front of teachers, coaches, fellow classmates and teammates. Getting recognized for this hard work was an honor. As Senior Shonna Glovier stated, *"I can't wait to receive my volleyball award because I worked so hard to get it."*

Athletic Awards Day was proof that the ends justified the means. After a year of devoting themselves to athletics, student athletes stood their ground as they were recognized for their athletic capabilities.

Fossil Fact

From 1967-72, a picnic was held before awards day.

◀**I'm so proud of you** . . . Senior Shane Lambert pauses to receive a word of congratulation from Mrs. Miotke during athletic awards day in the auditorium.

▲**Center stage** . . . Coach Kiser hands out volleyball certificates to Seniors Greta Jessee, Amy Jones, Shonna Glovier, and Juniors Jessica Cain and Amanda Taylor.

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Students Worked to Ultimately Receive . . .

Rock Solid Foundations

As the year rapidly swept along, students and teachers alike found themselves in full swing when it came to activities and learning in the classroom.

Hands on projects proved to be both educational and interesting. From chemistry to English classes, students discovered a variety of things in which to sink their hands. Students quickly learned that, unfortunately, education was not only for school, but home as well. Thus, the dreaded **homework** came into play. Teachers knew that experience was among the best teaching tools; therefore, they arranged for **field trips** to be taken. From Richlands to Richmond, students ventured out to see what they could see.

Group work was essential in classes such as band, choir, drama, and journalism. Each student knew that he or she must carry his or her own weight, or nothing would be accomplished.

School was not possible without **school materials** to help. From books to computers, learning was made effective and sometimes even fun. **Vocational school** students worked at an extreme amount of activities. From welding to cooking, there was something for just about everyone.

Naturally, not every student could have perfect attendance, so **making up work and time** became necessary. All work and no play made for a boring day; thus, students became **active in class** to liven things up a bit.

In order to prepare for the future, a strong education was key; therefore, classroom activities and enhanced academics helped to give students **rock solid foundations**.

►Just a little from the bottle . . . (Near Right) Senior Kim Salyers cautiously pours a liquid from a bottle into a flask in Mrs. Miotke's room during fourth period. Kim, along with six other Seniors, was in a newly formed Chemistry II class taught by Mrs. Miotke.

►Just one more pica to the left . . . (Far Right) Senior Travis Nash overlooks no detail as he works on drawing an academic layout for the yearbook in Mrs. Gibson's room during fourth period. Travis was a second year journalism student, so he knew all too well the responsibility and work that came with creating a great yearbook.

▲Look at that! . . . Sophomore Josh Reedy listens and watches carefully as Mr. Wells goes over the parts of a frog from a Biology I text book. Over the years, Mr. Wells taught both Biology I and Biology II in high school in addition to teaching biology in night classes through Southwest Virginia Community College.

◄Are those antennae on your head? . . . Senior Jessica Kiser is in deep thought as she works on an essay question on her mid-term English exam in the fiber optics room. Jessica was in the first period Advanced Placement English 12 class which was taught by Mrs. Barbara Justice from Honaker. As a surprise, Mrs. Justice made each member of the class personalized "antennae" to wear as they took the exam. If they did so, each person received an extra ten points on his or her exam!

HANDS ON

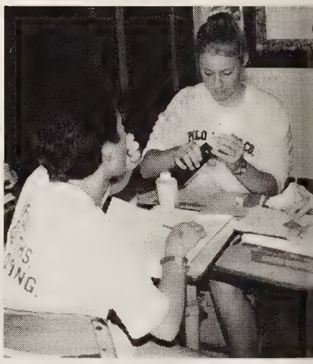
Carefully insert the knife here. This phrase echoed through the biology class as students nervously began dissection. While biology class was notorious for hands-on experiences, other classes also offered the opportunity of unique learning activities.

Chemistry labs and oral French reports also broke the usual routine of notetaking and tests. However, hands-on learning offered much more than just a change of pace; it seemed as though these learning experiences allowed students to grasp a better understanding of the class. As Junior Jason Castle put it, *"Dissecting helps you to understand the body parts of the animals better than just looking at them in our Biology II books."*

Although lessons such as this were often hard to work into the hectic curriculum, they were appreciated by the students. Junior Ryan McDaniel summed it up best when he added, *"Any class is better when you can have a lot of hands-on projects."*

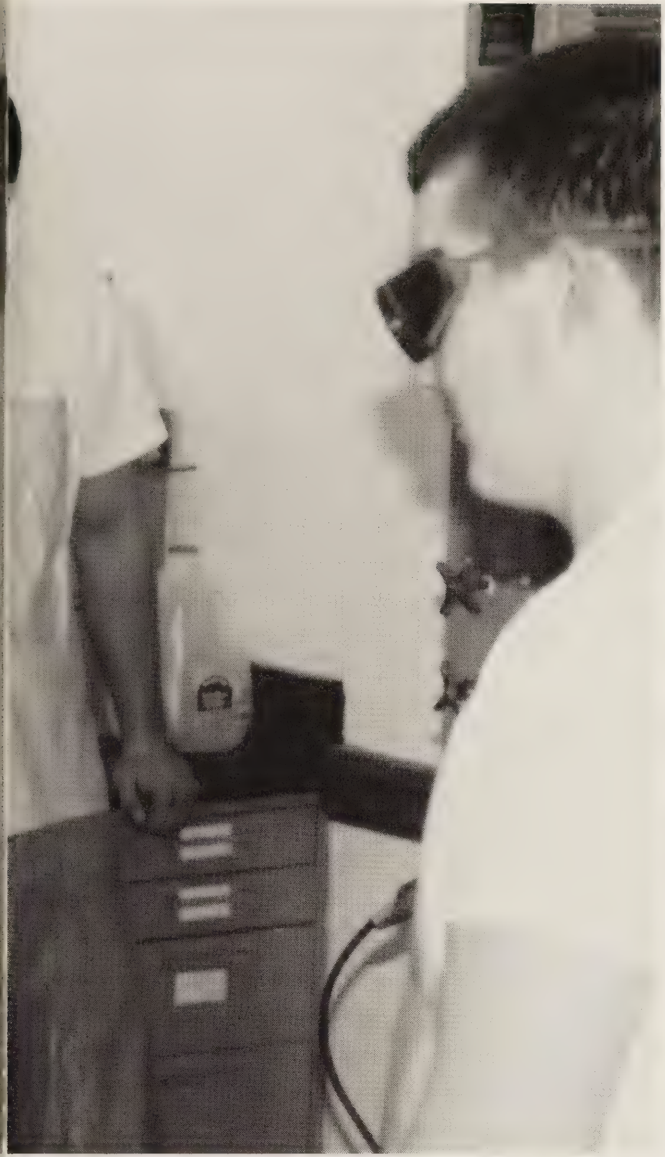
Fossil Fact

From 1956-61, students furnished their own ingredients for Home-Ec projects.

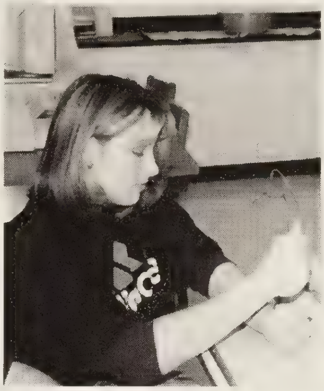


▲Stuck together . . . Freshme
Candace Justice and Jaclyn Byerle
work together on a project in Mrs
Hackney's room. The Earth Scienc
Class was learning about weathe
as they made weather vanes

►Do you need some help? . .
Junior Derrick House is assiste
with a pottery assignment by an ar
expert from SVCC. Mr. Doug
Branton helped the art classes i
making clay dishes



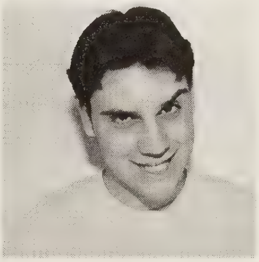
◀ Do you have a question? . . . Senior Kim Salyers explains a chemistry lab to a fifth grade class as Senior Tanner Dotson looks on in Mrs. Miotke's room. On average, Chemistry II students performed about ten labs each six weeks.



◀Wire works . . . Sophomore Rebecca Brandon works on an Earth Science project in Mrs. Hackney's room. Students were learning about wind and ocean currents.

▼Flower power . . . Seniors Chasity Chafin and Ashley Addington present an oral report in AP English 12. This advanced Senior English course was taught in the fiber optics room and prepared students for college by giving them more responsibility and by allowing them to use their creativity.

Step Up &



"Hands-on projects build good mechanical abilities."

—Matt Ball, Junior

"It shows you how to do what you are learning."

— Josh Banner, Sophomore

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PreSSiNg TiMeS

Homework! All students had it, but most disliked it. The question was, did students actually do homework at home? As Sophomore Roseanne Rose sadly admitted, *"If I don't do my homework at home, I do it in study hall."*

Fossil Fact In the late 50's to early 60's, no homework was done in the class or in the library.

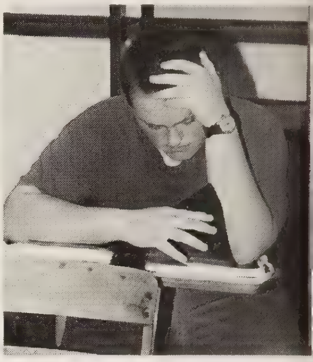
Athletes and students involved with extracurricular activities and jobs found it especially difficult to find time to do homework at home. Junior Chris Light added, *"Homework would be okay if it did not take up too much athletic time."*

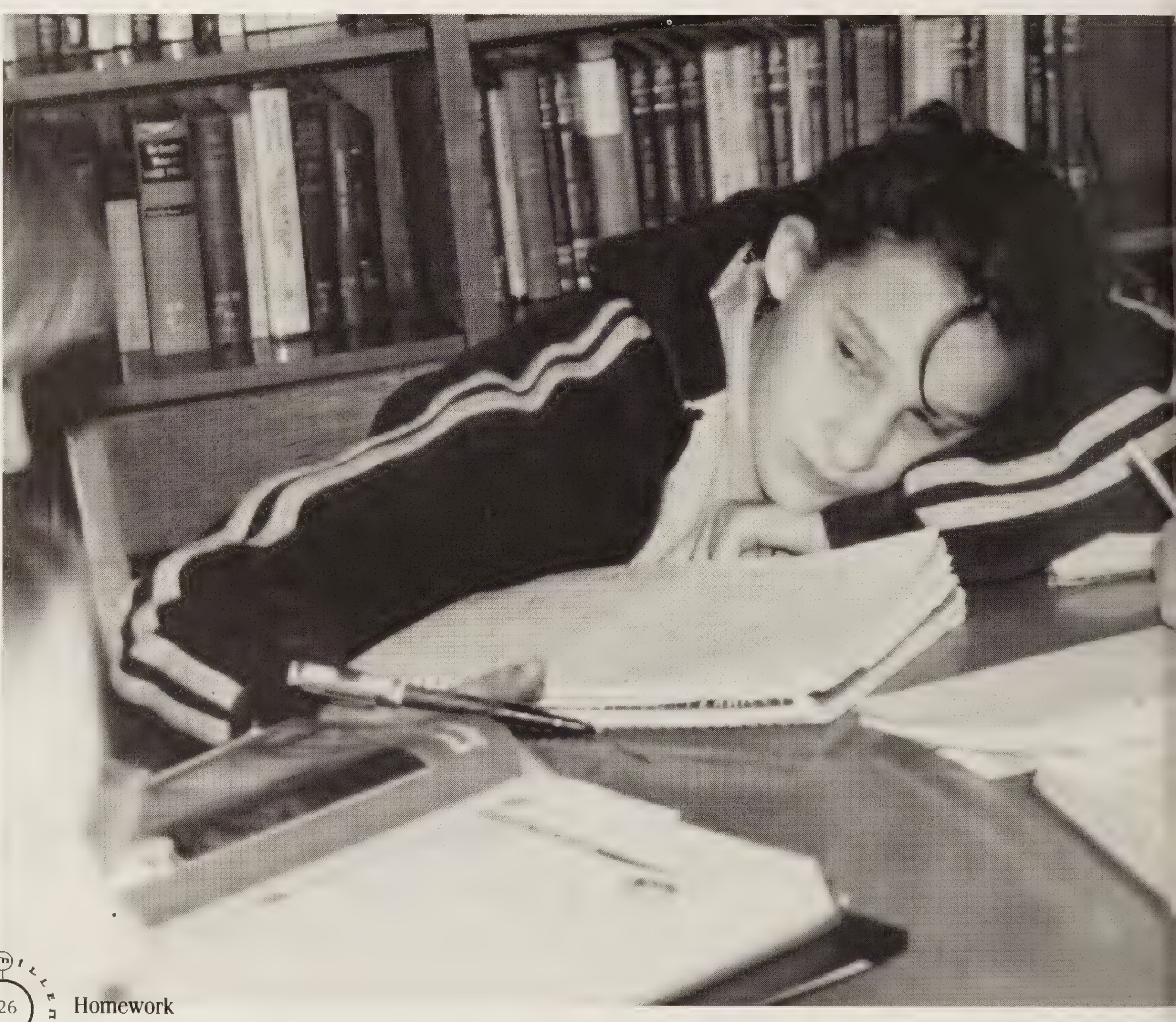
Teachers often had varying views on homework themselves. According to Mrs. Woodlief, *"Homework is very important."* Ms. Stevenson, on the other hand, limited assignments to four nights a week and never gave homework on Fridays.

Homework, no matter when it was assigned or where it was completed, was key to the survival of a student.

►**Homework time** . . . Eight Grader Kayla Keith does homewor at her home in Moorefield. Student who could not find any time a school to complete homework wer forced to work at home

▼**Work, work, work** . . . Freshma David Crawford works hard on hi earth science homework in Mrs Jessee's fourth period study hall i Room 20





Time Out!

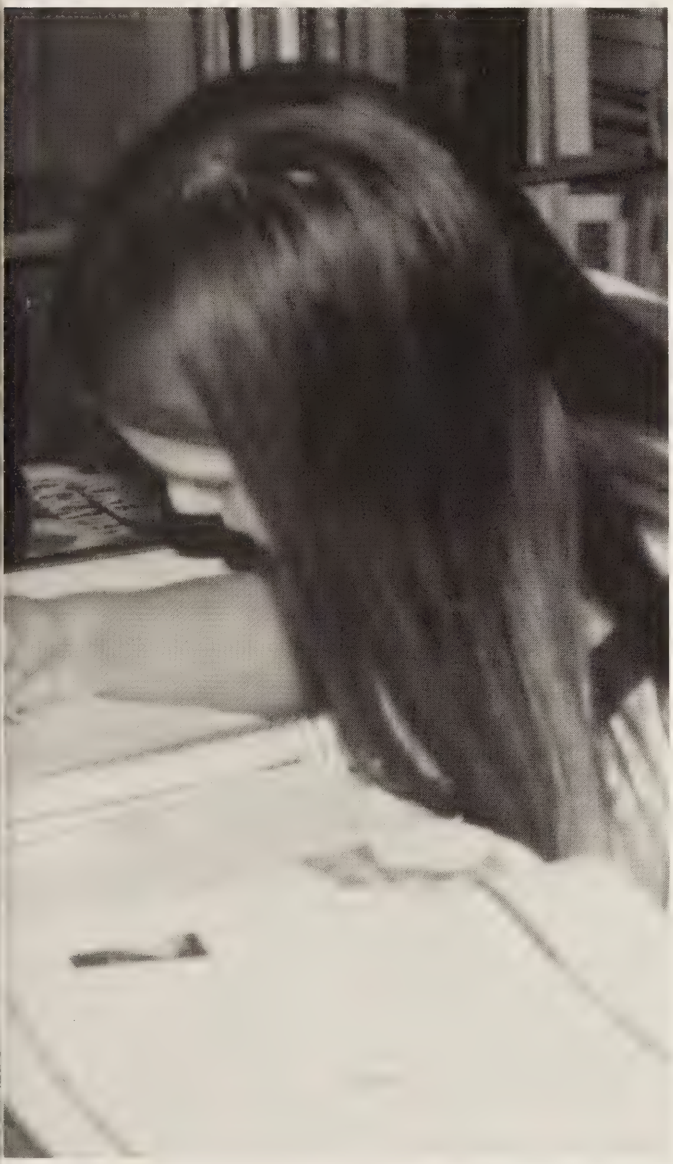
Take a Quiz

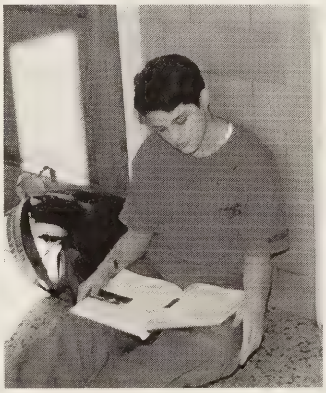
1. How many nights a week did Mrs. Talbert assign homework?

A. 4
B. 3
C. 2
D. 0

2. What was the fewest number of math problems Mrs. Skeens assigned?

A. 0
B. 5
C. 9
D. 7





▲**Working hard** . . . Eighth Grader Heather Bradley works on physical science homework in Mrs. Miotke's first period class. Many student/athletes frantically tried to complete as much homework as they could at school.

◄**Sit and study** . . . Freshman Candace Justice studies after school in the front foyer before her second load bus arrives. Many students could be seen before and after school finishing homework in the halls or wherever they could find a seat!

◄**Break time** . . . Eighth Grader Heather Johnson takes a break in the library from the perils of her world geography homework. The library gave students a chance to study in peace and quiet.

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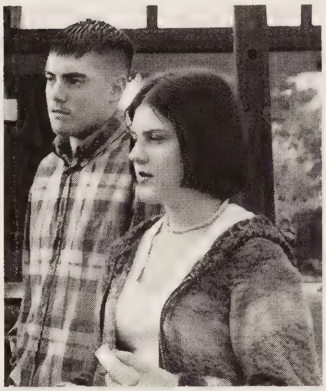
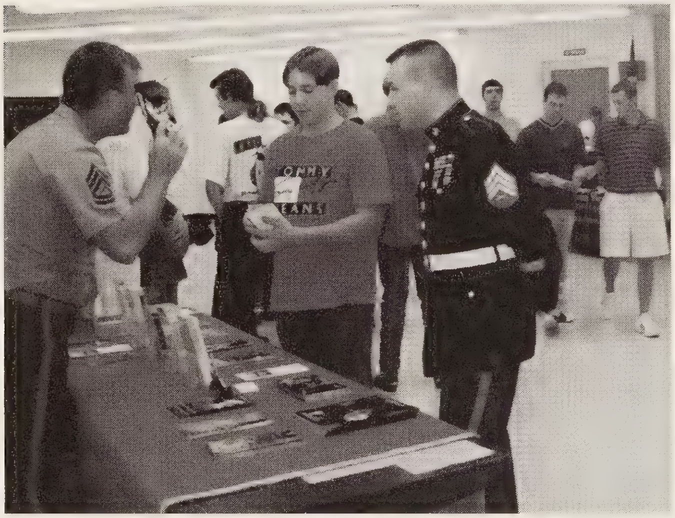
►On the move . . . Seniors McKinsey Huff, Michael Sutherland, Lijah Robinson, and Evan Hearl, and Juniors Ray Mullins and Jes Stacy stroll through the SVCC campus while on a chemistry class field trip. Students were there to watch a rocket demonstration.

►Where to go next . . . Junior Mark Dye and Senior Amy Jones decide on their next stop during the journalism field trip in Richmond. Journalism students attended VHSL workshops during Halloween weekend and stayed at the Hyatt Hotel.



▼In the army now . . . Senior Shane Kenyon speaks with military officials during College Day at the Vocational School. In addition to army recruiters, colleges from all across the state had booths set up offering Seniors insight into possible careers.

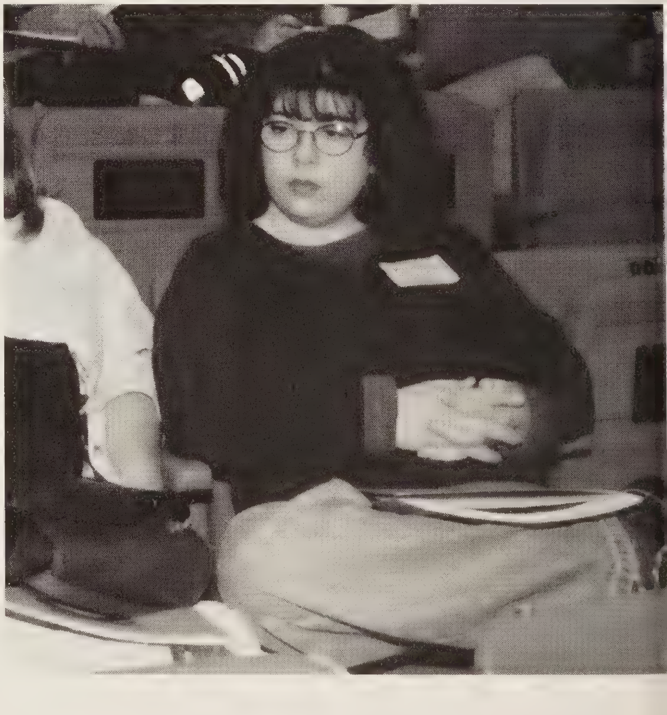


Step Up &

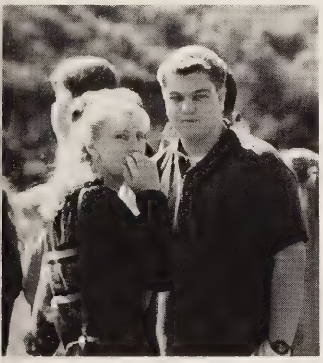
Where would you like to go on a field trip?

"I would go to Australia to see all the weird animals."
— Chase Porter, Junior

"I would go watch my favorite team play football."
— Matt Hileman, Senior



Going the Distance



▲Waiting for the boom . . . Senior Jeff Stevens and Junior Asten Buckles wait to see the rockets during the chemistry field trip at SVCC.

◀Ahh, rest and relaxation . . . Senior Crystal Keith takes a seat during the annual field trip to SVCC. Students rested in a large auditorium before heading to the next workshop.

What makes a good field trip? This curious question illicited a variety of different answers, especially since most would agree that since expeditions were kept to a minimum due to the new SOL guidelines, any outing would classify as a *good* trip. Nevertheless, highlights arose that made certain trips stick out more than others.

The chemistry classes, for instance, took a field trip to SVCC where they met Homer Hickam, the author of *October Sky*. Senior Lijah Robinson commented, *"It was very interesting first of all because I had never seen anything like that before, but mostly because it taught me a lot about rockets."* Others found the trip enjoyable because of its historical value. *"It was interesting listening to the story of Homer Hickam's life and how he became interested in rockets,"* added Senior Kim Salyers.

Whatever the field trip, students who were lucky enough to attend gained valuable knowledge.

Fossil Fact

In 1960, the band traveled to Bristol, Tennessee to participate in the Southeastern Band Festival.

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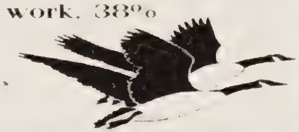
And the survey says. . . .

WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING ANIMAL GROUPS WOULD YOU WORK IN?

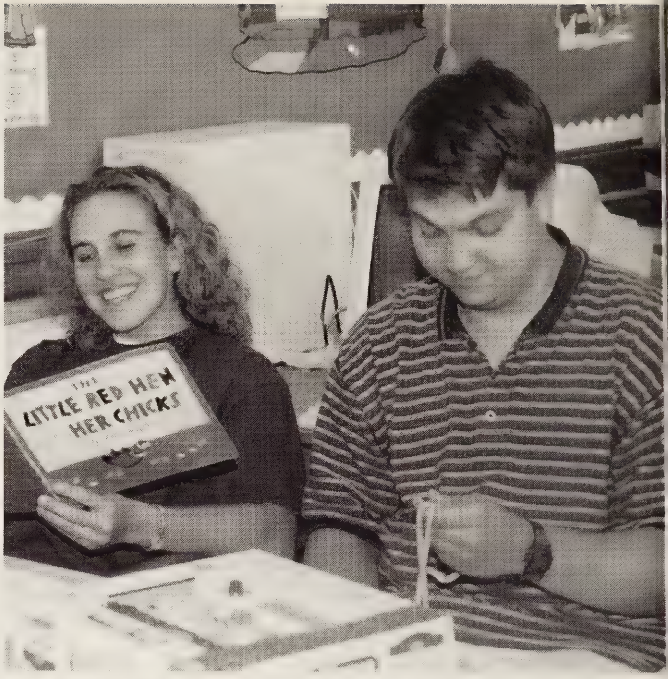
A pride of lions: I'm a ferocious worker and I take pride in my work. 38%



A gaggle of geese: I pretty much follow the leader. 18%

A flock of seagulls: I fly through my work with ease and sail along nicely. 44%

*50 students surveyed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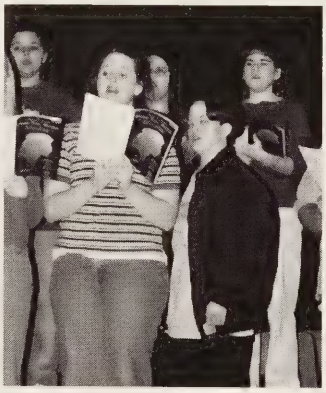

▲Teamwork . . . Journalism students Juniors Asten Buckles, Danielle Sargent, Louise Gibson, Jessica Cain, and Jessica Amburgey, and Seniors Lorena Kiser and Shonna Glovier work on a photo work order outside room 103.

►Sing, sing, sing . . . Choir student Junior Amanda Taylor shares her music with Senior Danielle Burke, while Sophomore Heather White, and Freshman Jessica Hileman sing from their own copies of the music.

►Can you hear? . . . Freshman band students Ashley Crabtree, playing the trumpet, and Amanda Barton, playing the alto sax, concentrate on their music while Senior Thomas Barton, playing the baritone sax, plays from memory. Sounds of music could be heard throughout the school during seventh period band class.

◀Recording session . . . Drama student Senior Ashley Addington narrates *The Little Red Hen and Her Chicks* on tape as Senior Jeff Stevens creates sound effects. Drama worked to create books on tape for elementary students.

▼Keeping in time . . . Sophomore Josh Banner, and Eighth Graders Michelle Puckett, Amanda Salyer, and Brittany Ring keep rhythm together in fourth period choir.

Cooperation and working together: what do these two words both have in common? *Teamwork!*

Four classes in particular, Journalism, Speech/Drama, Choir, and Band, were teams of a sort. These classes required each member to pull his or her own weight to make it work. As Journalism student Jessica Amburgey said, *"Journalism is a team effort. We all have to work together and cooperate in order to create a really good yearbook."*

Journalism had one reason for group effort — the yearbook. Drama's goal, however, was to produce a one-act play, compete in forensics, and put on a great show with choir.

Choir and band were always striving for musical perfection. As band student Daniel Johnson said, *"Band requires a group of individuals working together to achieve one cause."* This was definitely true for all classes that worked as a group.

Fossil Fact **In 1972, the band worked together and went to Disney World to perform.**

Group Effort

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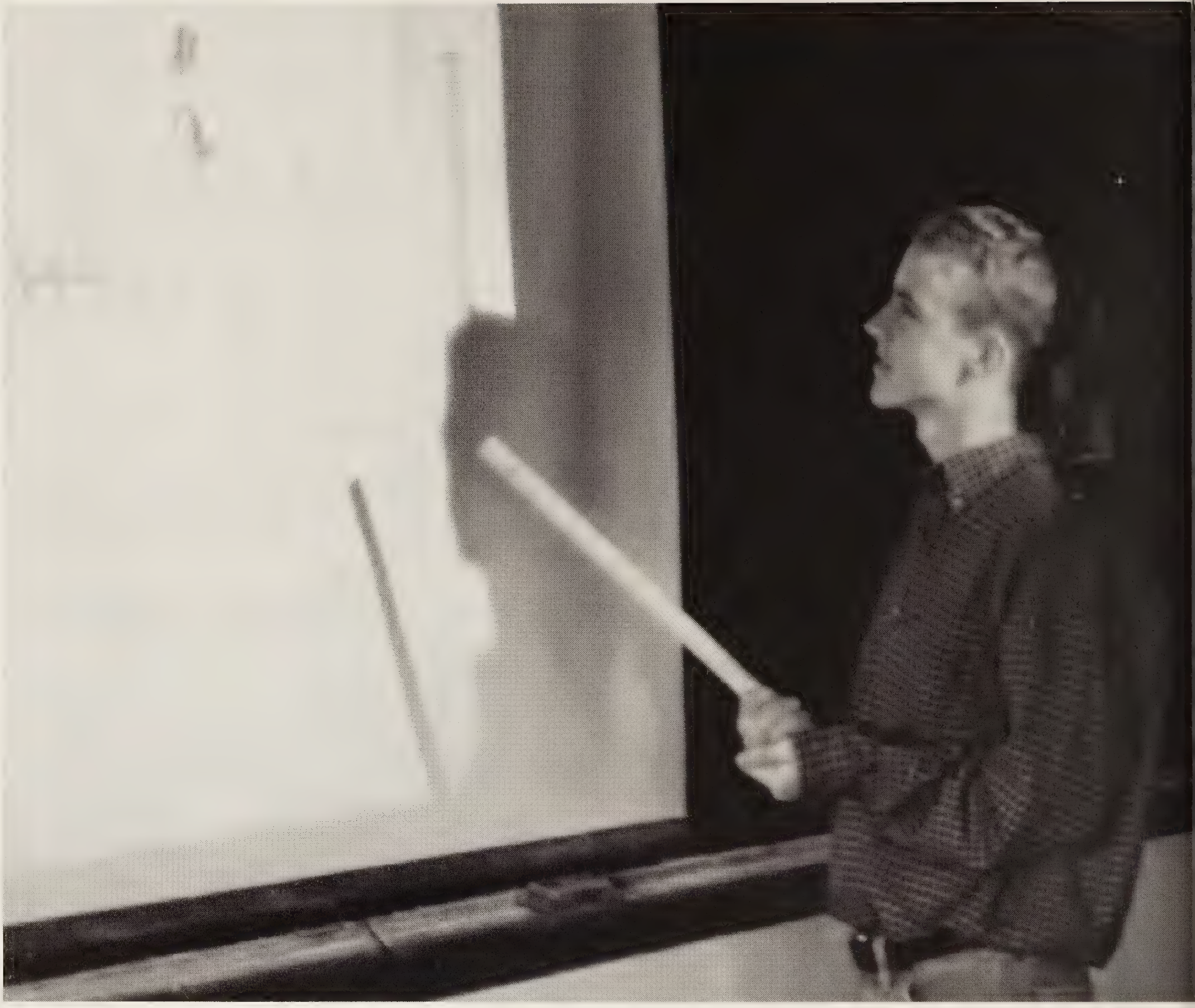


ROLLING INTO THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY

As the twenty-first century approached, technological advances were made. This proved to be the case in educational tools as well.

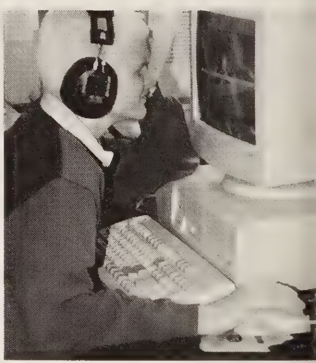
Fossil Fact **The Computer Lab was established in 1996 with twenty-four computers.**

While the archetypal methods of oral note-taking and worksheets were still used, advancements allowed computers, overhead projectors, and books to take on a whole new meaning.

"Overheads and books allow teachers to present a unique version of education," responded Freshman Trista Hicks when asked why these items were effective learning tools.

When asked what the most enriching learning tool was, Eighth Grader Katherine Tarr replied, *"Computers, because they have a wider variety of information to learn from."* In addition to computers in the computer lab, each of the eighteen classrooms offered Internet access.

Learning tools definitely created a stimulating learning environment for students.



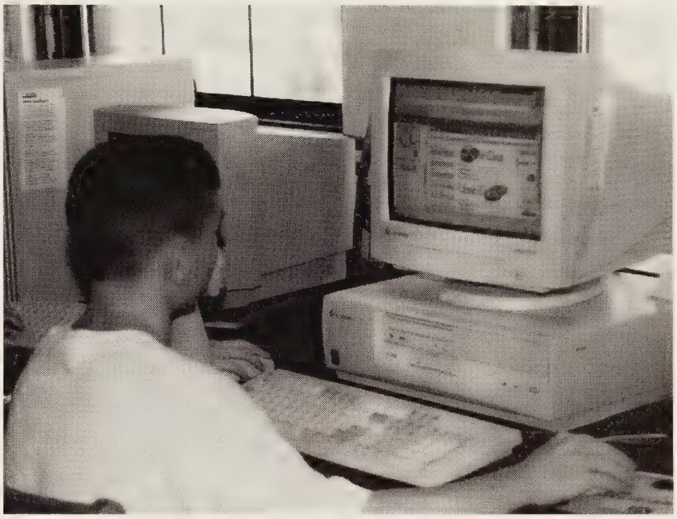
▲**Surfs up** . . . Eighth Grader Tyle
Osborne is engrossed in a
interesting website in the library
Tyler and other students had a
choice of five different computers t
use

►**Is this right?** . . . Junior Amanda
Taylor practices drawing a numbe
line in Coach Shortt's first perio
algebra class. Amanda
demonstrated that even the basi
pen, ruler, and graph-paper coul
serve as excellent learning tools

◄**Point it out** . . . Freshman Cody Cress goes over a vocabulary cartoon in his fifth period English 9 class. Mrs. Gibson used vocabulary mnemonics as a unique teaching approach that Cody and other students enjoyed.

◄**Spell check** . . . Eighth Grader Jonathon Salyer makes use of a computer during his fourth period study hall in Room 105. Jonathon was typing a spelling vocabulary list for his English 8 teacher, Mrs. Talbert. Students found that typing was more efficient than writing.

▼**Surfing the net** . . . Eighth Grader Hunter Robinson studies information he has pulled up on the Internet in the library. Hunter, who was researching the latest car trends, proved that the Internet could be both educational and fun.



Step Up &

"Computers give us hands-on learning."

—Robert Frazier, Senior

"We can get more information quicker and easier with computers."

—Lauren Wallace, Freshman

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What is the main purpose of an education? Ultimately, to prepare students for future paths they may take. Just as college-prep courses prepared college-bound students, the Russell County Career and Technology Center prepared students for careers in the work force.

"The things I learn at vocational school will help me get a job," said Sophomore Jarred Bush when asked how vocational classes prepared him for work after graduation.

Twenty-five morning and seventy afternoon vocational students used classes offered to not only learn trades, but to grasp fundamentals key to success in life. As Sophomore Sarah Brandon put it, *"Vocational school has showed me what a good work ethic is and how to get along with others."*

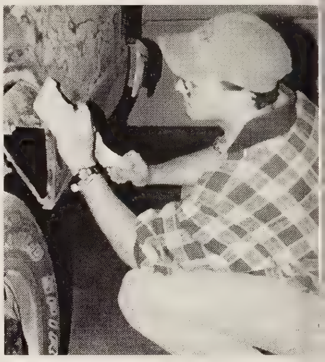
By using their acquired trades, vocational students were building a solid future.

Fossil Fact

The Russell County Career & Technology Center was built in 1970.

►Easy does it . . . Juniors Rachel Meade and Shawna Meade practice taking blood pressures as instructor Mrs. Campbell directs. Rachel and Shawna were two of seven students who took the morning nursing class at the vocational school.

▼Scrub, scrub, scrub . . . Senior Brandon Neece concentrates as he works on sanding a vehicle. Brandon was in the morning auto body class at the vocational school.



Building Their Way to the Future

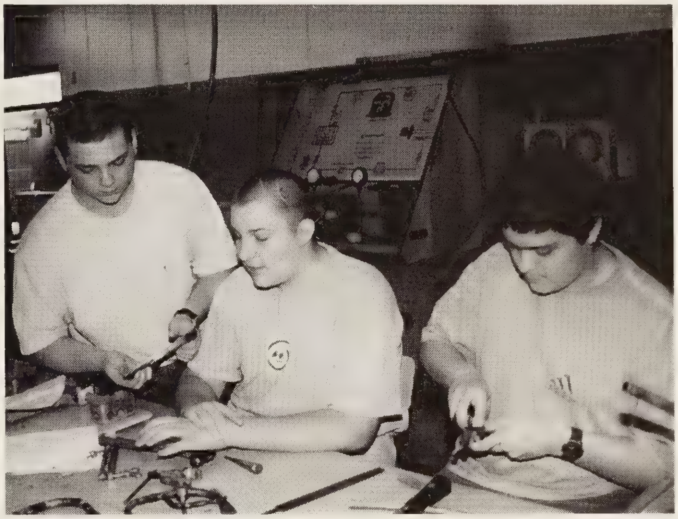
And the survey says. . . WHICH VOCATIONAL CLASS WOULD YOU NEVER TAKE?

Foods; I can't even make a sandwich, 30%

Welding; I don't work well with heavy machinery, 16%

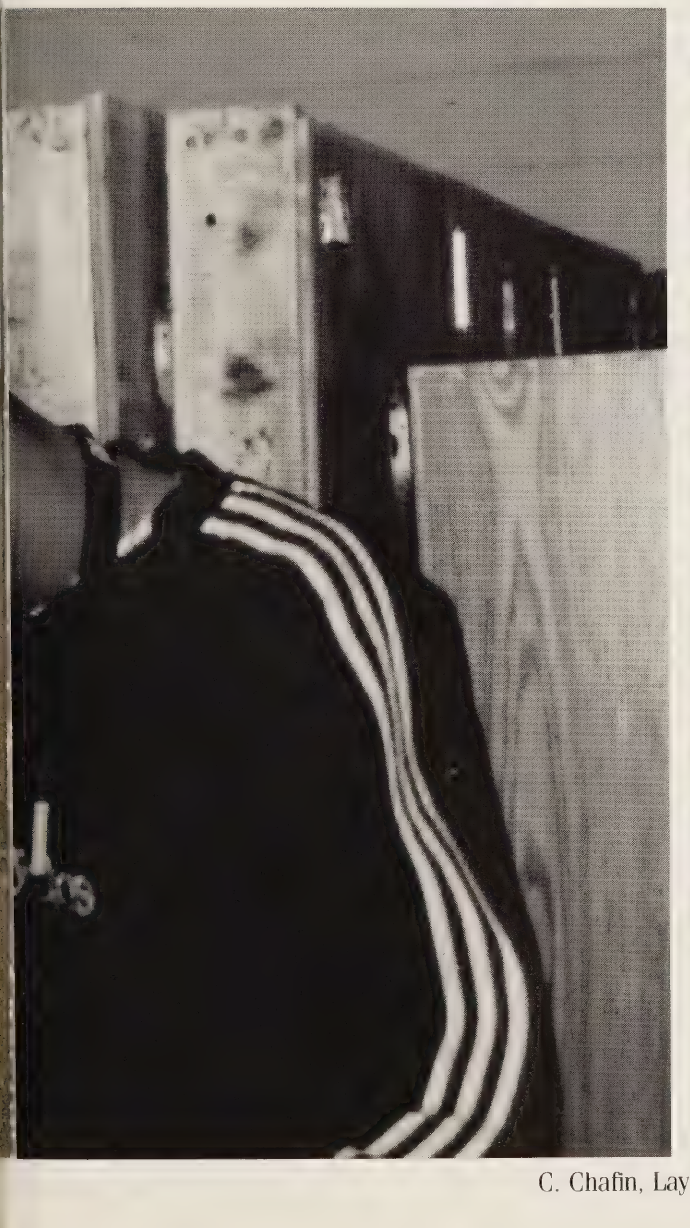
Nursing; I cringe at the sight of needles, 54%

*50 students surveyed



▲I know it's here somewhere . . . Junior Chris Hamilton assists Sophomore Jarred Bush in finding a piece to a tubing project while Junior Josh Steffey works on his own assignment. The heating and cooling class at the vocational school was taught and directed by Mr. McNulty.

◄Shampoo or conditioner? . . . Senior Bonnie Mullins works on washing and rinsing a fellow student's hair in cosmetology class. Under the instruction of Mrs. Sondra Massie, students learned to master the art of hair styling.



◄Did I miss a spot? . . . Junior William Fields watches as Junior Derrick House diligently paints a table in the building trades class at the vocational school. Working with small things like this gave students experience for the major class project of building an actual house.

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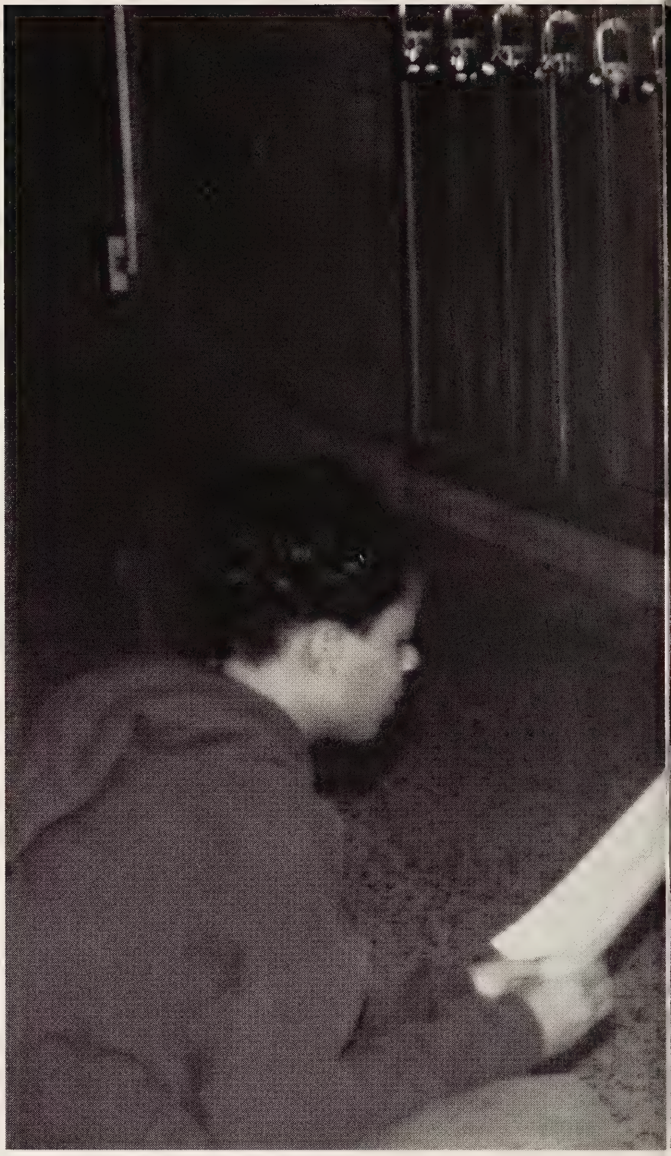
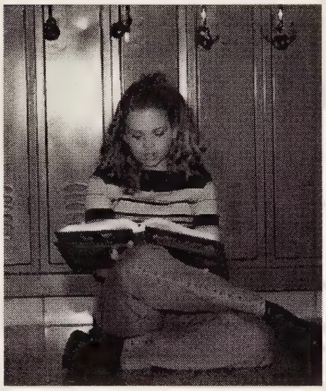
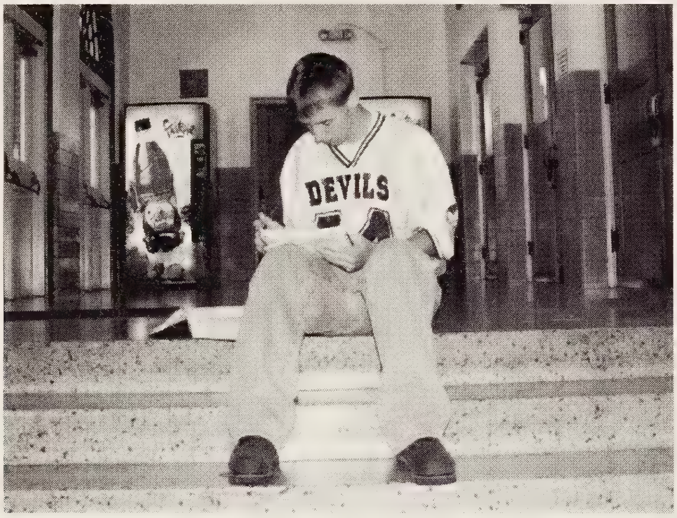
▶Good morning Miss Cain . . . Junior Jessica Cain gives Sophomore Jacob Holbrook a missed spelling test during his fourth period study hall. Jacob had Mrs. Gibson for English class and knew that not making up a test could adversely affect his English grade.



▶A different kind of desk . . . Senior Courtney Jessee sits in front of her locker as she studies before her third period government class. Students could be found studying and making up work during study hall, before school, and sometimes in the hall.



▼Early morning cram session . . . Senior Travis Nash sits on the old gym steps before school starts working on his English vocabulary words. Student/athletes could often be found doing last minute work before school even began due to late night practices and games.



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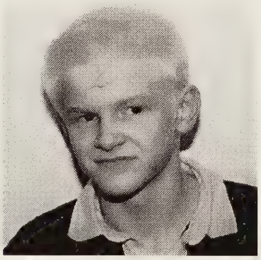
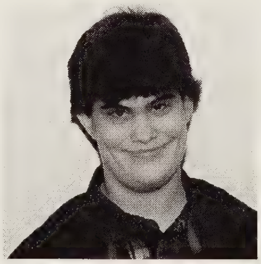
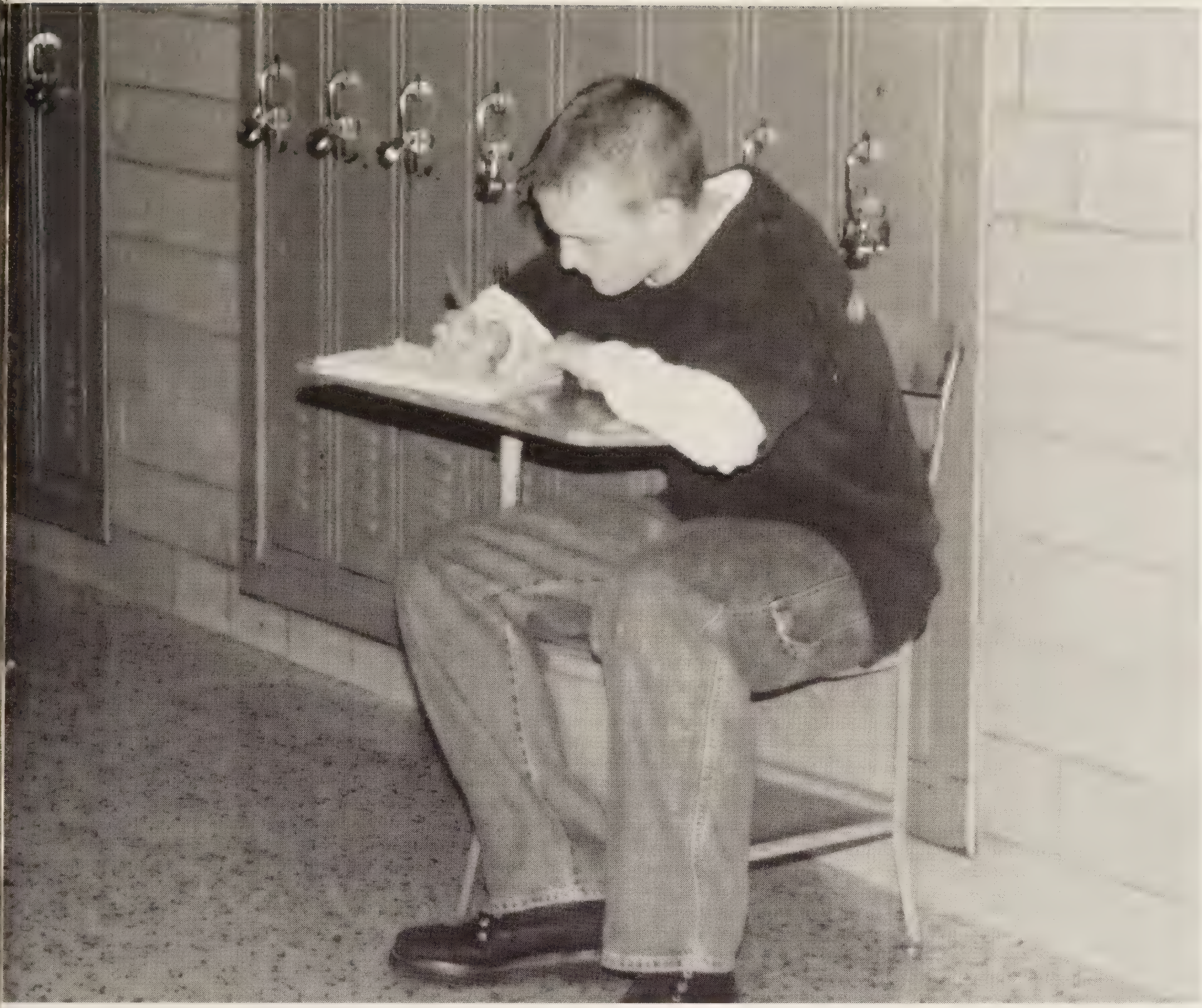


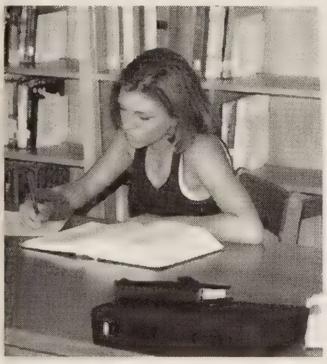


Where do YOU make up work?

"Sixth period in the library."
—Tyler Osborne, Eighth Grader

"Anywhere and anytime, as long as it gets done."
—Rebecca Meade, Senior





▲Not just a place to read . . . Senior Ashley Vanover works on her English assignment in the library during fourth period. Ashley had study hall with Mrs. Talbert and found this to be the perfect time to catch up on her work.

◀Using her time wisely . . . Freshman Megan Chafin makes up an English 9 test outside of room 103. Megan had study hall with Mrs. Wallace and was using this time to make-up her work.

Trying to Turn Back Time

What's worse than being at school? *Not being at school!* Whether students were absent due to an illness, or they simply overslept, what awaited them when they came back was no picnic.

If students missed more than eight unexcused days, they found themselves trudging out to school early on Saturday mornings to make up class time. Sophomore Kayla Austin commented about the attendance policy, *"It takes a lot of my free time."*

Making up homework proved to be a hassle as well. Upon returning to school, not only did students have the usual class work, they had make-up work too.

Junior Nick Stidham admitted that, *"Making up work gets very boring."*

Students soon realized that it was better to be at school and keep up rather than miss school and get behind.

Fossil Fact **Make-up time was started in 1997.**

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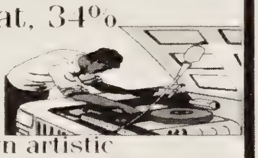
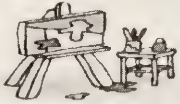
And the survey says. . .

Which classroom activity would inspire you to become active in class?

Cooking a four course meal; I love to eat, 34%

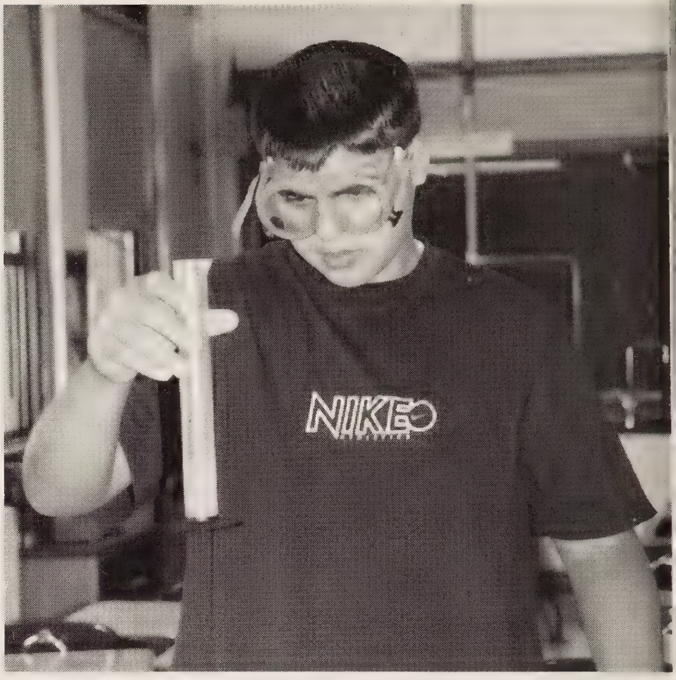


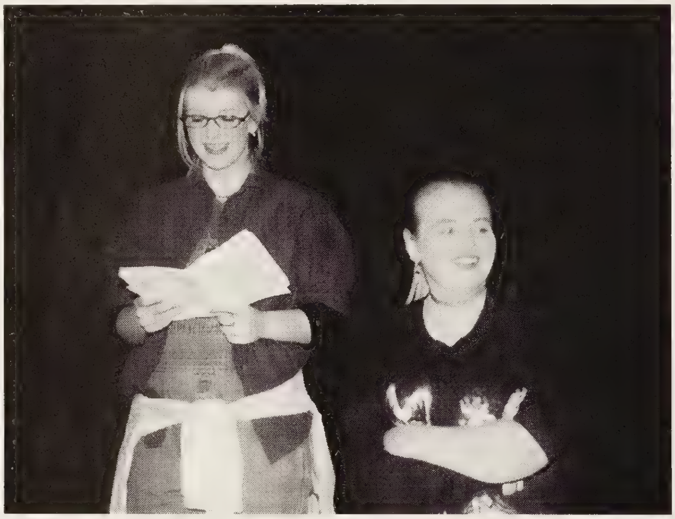
Rebuilding a car; I like to take things apart, 26%



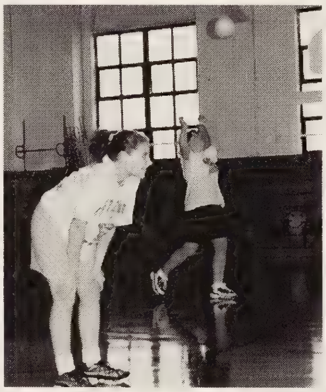
Creating my own artistic masterpiece; I love to be creative, 40%

*50 students surveyed

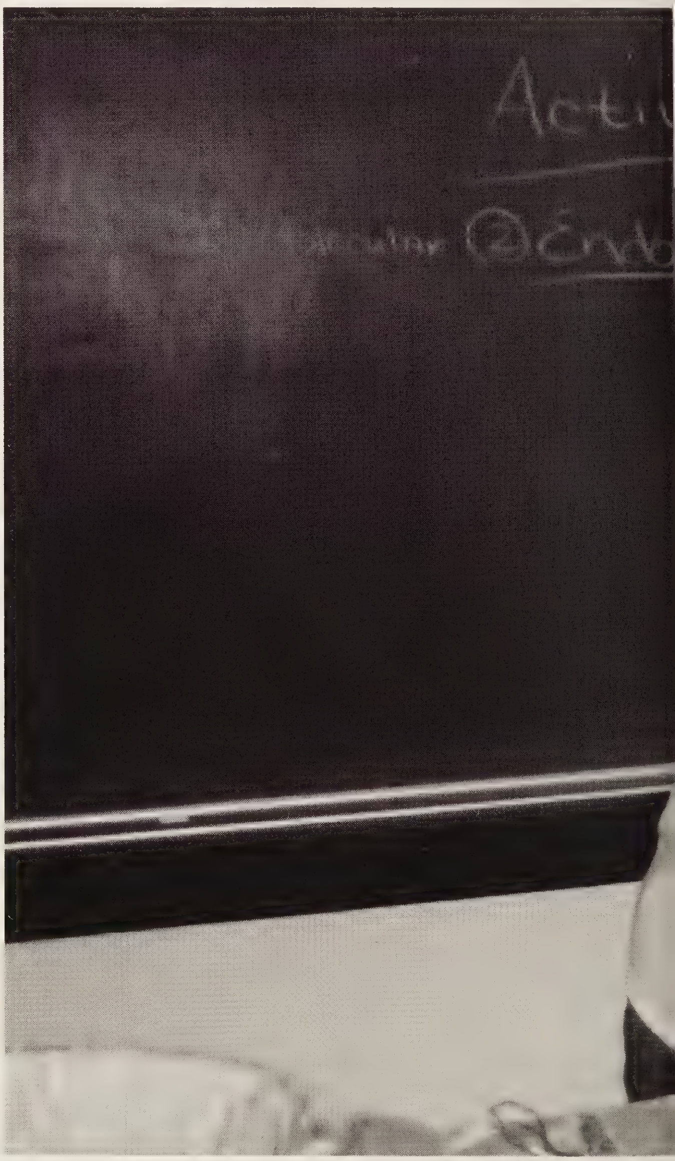




▲What are my lines? . . . Junior Amy Puckett looks over her lines as Junior Heidi Bartee is confident in knowing hers during a drama dress rehearsal in the auditorium for the play, *Competition Piece*. Twenty-two juniors and Seniors got active for the performance.



►MINE! . . . Eighth Graders Kim Sproles and Jessica Johnson play volleyball during P.E. The girls were two of only eleven eighth graders in this small fourth period P. E. class.



►Where does this one go? . . . Freshmen Bobbi Jo Jessee and Ashley Jessee put paper mache on a balloon during a project in Mrs. Hackney's room. This globe making activity was done in the second period Earth Science class.

◀Do not try this at home . . . Senior Lijah Robinson performs an experiment in Mrs. Miotke's room during Chemistry II. Lijah was measuring an acid for his experiment.

▼Pass the towel . . . Sophomore Nicole Baker waits to clean up after using a pottery wheel in the art room. The second period art class was making clay pots.

Students! Close your books and put away your notebooks! This was **not** a common phrase in the classroom. Students sadly realized that books and assignments were a part of any education; however, all work and no play made for a boring day. Thus, teachers and students found ways to alter the schedule.

Mrs. Wright decided to show *Toy Story* to her classes who learned about technological animation. Senior Danielle Burke commented about the movie, *"I learned that animation can be digitally mastered on the computer."*

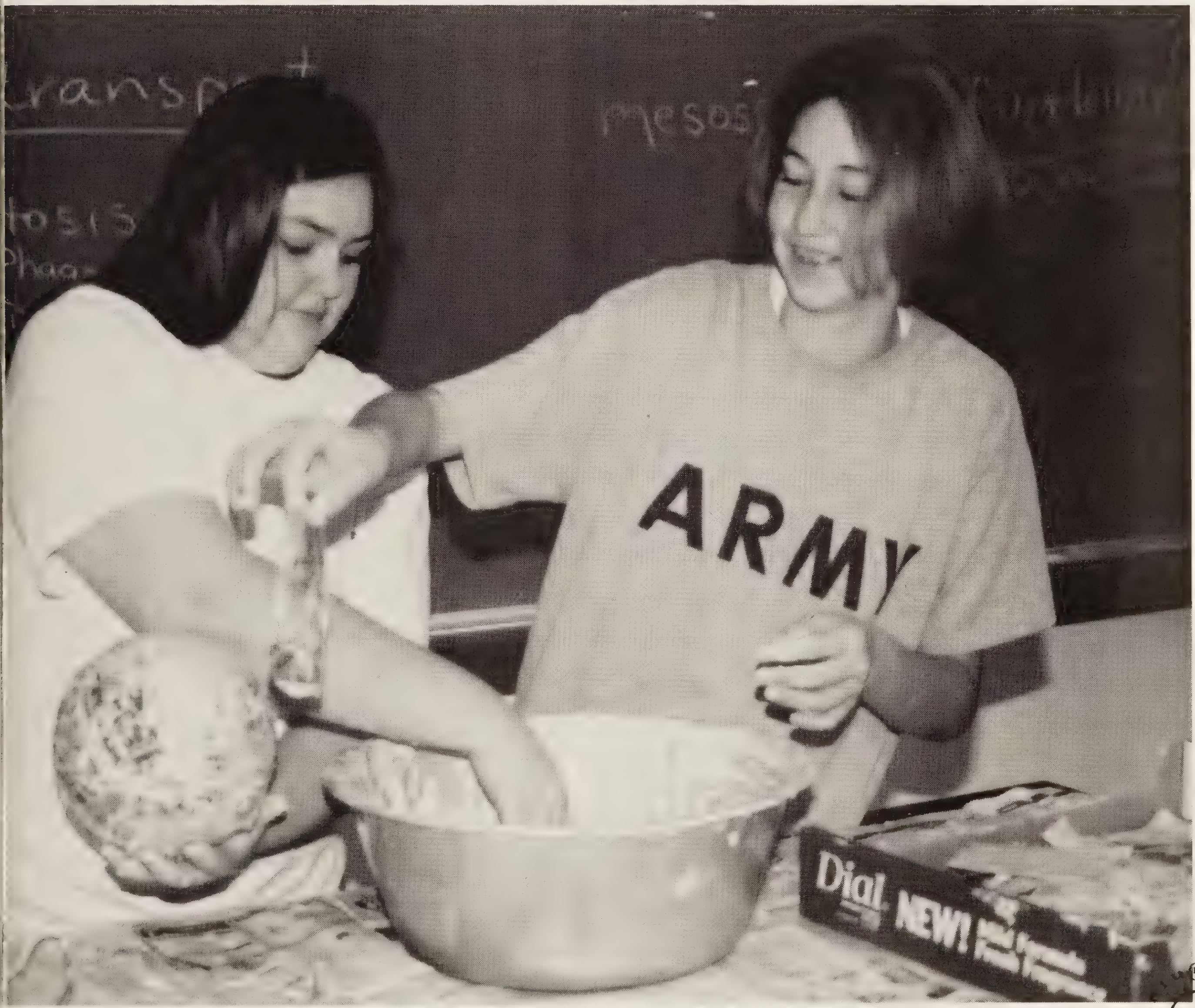
Interactive games were also ways to become active.

Freshman Sheena Hale remarked, *"I enjoy playing interactive games in Coach Poole's world history class."*

Fossil Fact **From 1960-63, there was no art class.**

Whatever the activity, these innovative techniques allowed students to become active in class while learning.

ROLLING STONES GATHER NO MOSS



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Looking Back

Students and Community Members Reflected on the Lives of Two Distinguished Individuals

In 1923 in the small town of Cleveland, Virginia, a young boy was born. No one, including his family, could have predicted what a gifted, influential man this boy would grow into. Not only would he later become a doctor, but he would also later attain a prominent standing in the community and offer insight to others far beyond what even he himself could imagine. This man was Roy Smith.

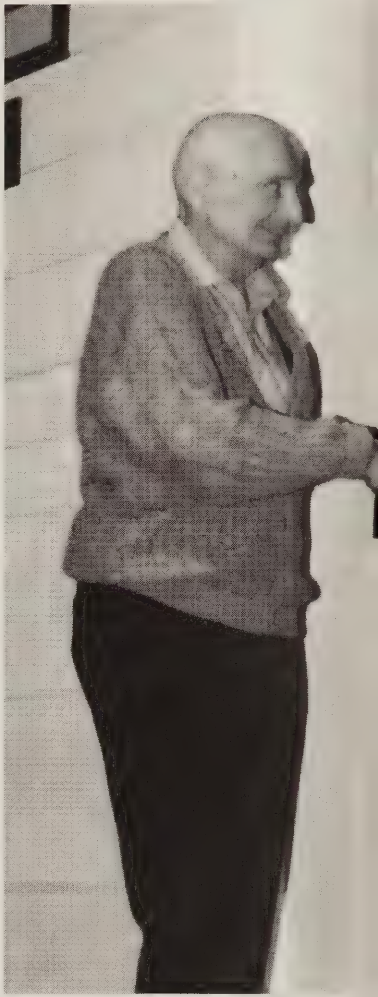
Roy Smith proved his talent early on in his life. He graduated as Valedictorian from Lebanon High School in 1939 and then furthered his education at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in Blacksburg. While there he once again created a standing for himself. He served as president of *Omicron Delta Kappa*, Chancellor of *Alpha ETA*, and president of the VIP Block & Bridle Club. In 1943, he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science. Following his serving time in WWII, Dr. Smith entered the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Georgia.

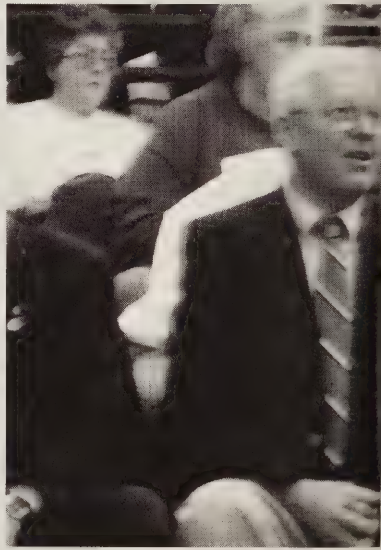
Dr. Smith then established a veterinary practice on Main Street in Lebanon, Virgina. Determined to give back to his community, he ran for and was elected as a member of the Russell County Board of Supervisors. In a 1989 interview with the *Lebanon News*, Dr. Smith dutifully commented, *''I learned early to be a good listener. Only by listening can you find out what peoples' problems are and help them.''*

If helping people is equated with listening to people, Dr. Smith certainly had his ears open. While Dr. Smith's awards, honors, and positions spoke for themselves, his heart-felt devotion to helping others in the community far outweighed any plaques on the wall. Dr. Smith, just like the impact he made on the community, will not soon be forgotten.

▶**Honored and distinguished . . .** Dr. Roy Smith takes time out of his hectic schedule to pose for a picture in his office at the school board. Over the years, Dr. Smith held several distinguishing positions. He was a member of the Russell County Vocational School Advisory Committee, Director and Treasurer of the Clinch Valley Soil and Water Conservation District, as well as a member, and late chairman, of the Russell County School Board.

▼**On center stage . . .** Mr. Glovie
presents Mr. Morley Jones with the
Cumberland District Coach of the Yea
Award in the auditorium on Awards Day
This was a prestigious honor that Mr





▲ **Time out for a little recreation . .**
Dr. Roy Smith sits in the bleachers an
talks with other members of the community
at a home basketball game

ones received for three consecutive years. Ir. Jones coached not only golf, but oftball as well. He had the honor of oaching at Lebanon and Castlewood High Schools during his coaching career.

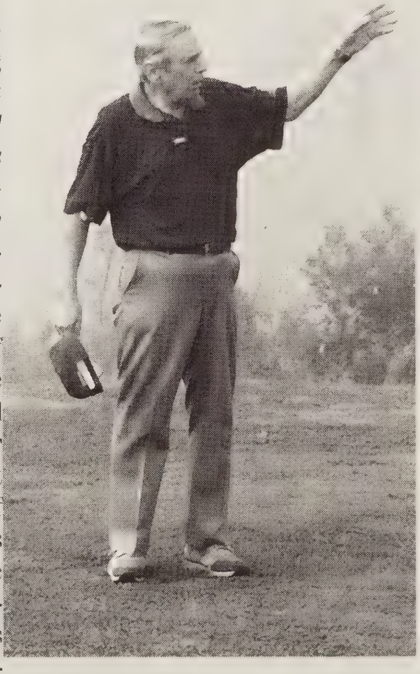
Dr. Smith looked out for the community ind was a member of the 9th Congressional District Republican Committee.

◄It's an honor to shake your hand . . . Mr. Jones congratulates Senior Robert Frazier on his many athletic accomplishments on Athletic Awards Day in front of the stage in the auditorium. Robert played golf for several years and considered it a great honor to have been fortunate enough to have Mr. Jones as a coach. Over the years, Mr. Jones established quite a record with his golfing team. In 1999, he and his golfers won the Cumberland District Tournament for the third consecutive year.

Harry Emerson Fosdick once said, "No life ever grows great until it is focused, dedicated, and disciplined." If there ever was a person who showed the true meaning of perseverance and made this saying come to life, it was Mr. Morley Jones. Mr. Jones was a prime example of what an inspiration a person could be through his or her own strength and examples.

Mr. Jones started out serving in the Navy. He served four years in the Navy as an electronics technician. Following his service, Mr. Jones then journeyed down the road as an educator. He was a teacher for thirty-six years. While most of this time was spent as a mathematics instructor, he did also act as a driver's education teacher for several years.

Mr. Jones was an avid softball player and golfer. His wife, Mina Jones, commented about his sporting passions, *"His greatest joys were his students and his golf and softball teams that he coached at Lebanon and Castlewood High Schools."* Mr. Jones's devotion and talent was reiterated as he was the Cumberland District Golf Coach of the Year for the years 1996, 1997, and 1998 as well as a member of the Cumberland District Softball Coaching Staff of the Year for the years 1997 and 1998. While these awards were certainly distinguishing, his students knew that his devotion could never be exemplified in a mere plaque. Senior Chad Fields commented on his former golf coach, *"Mr. Jones was a great golf coach. He was always there when we needed him, and he will be greatly missed."*



◄Golfers, if you'll notice here to your right . . . Mr. Jones directs the members of his golf team as they prepare to play at Lake Bonaventure Country Club. Mr. Jones was an avid golfer, so he knew what it took to teach his team the sport of golf. He obviously did this well as he had three golfers: Jes Stacy, Evan Hearl, and Grady Kring, to achieve All-District status in 1999.

Sadly, despite a hard fought battle with cancer, Mr. Jones passed away on December 29, 1999. As one reflected on the life of Mr. Jones, it was clear to see how the following quote from Calvin Coolidge defined his immense stature, "No person was ever honored for what he received. Honor has been the reward for what he gave."

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Winner Takes All

Students Describe Their Feelings About Academic Awards Day

I hope I get to take home at least one award! Many students looked forward to Academic Awards Day. The fulfillment of receiving an award for their academic achievements was worth the 180 days of hard work. Junior Chase Porter said, *"The awards are a great way to acknowledge academic achievements."*

Some aspiring students were positive they were going to walk away with at least one award. Others, however, were nervous because they were faced with so much competition. Senior Lorena Kiser said, *"There are so many overachievers in the Senior Class, it's hard to say who will come out on top."*

For those students who went the extra mile, the appreciation of Awards Day went much further than getting a break from class. It was a great chance for these students to be acknowledged for their academic excellence.

Perhaps Junior Cole Osborne best summed it up as he said, *"Receiving an award makes me feel good because I am given credit for all of my hard work."*

Fossil Fact
Dawn Bush won the Woodmen of the World Award in 1984.

▲I do solemnly swear . . . Junior Chase King, Sophomore Traci Poole, and Junior Jessica Cain take the oath of office as they are sworn in as SCA officers following the awards ceremony.

►Great job . . . Mr. Glovier presents Senior Shonna Glovier with a certificate of academic excellence during Academic Awards Day in the auditorium.

◄ Here's another outstanding student . . . Eighth Grader Chandra Booker cautiously waits on stage as Ms. Sabo announces her name and prepares to give her an English 8 award. As a general rule, the various departments within the school decided together on one teacher from each department to take center stage and present awards for each particular subject. While Mrs. Wallace helped prepare for Senior Day outside, Ms. Sabo was the representative of the English Department inside during the awards ceremony.

▲ Congratulations young man . . . Junior Andrew Hensley receives a handshake and tee shirt from Mrs. Miotke as he is recognized as an AIMS Scholar during Academic Awards Day. While Mrs. Miotke presented the awards, Mr. Mike Puckett called out the students' names who met the requirements to be AIMS Scholars.

▲Drive carefully . . . Sophomore Sheena Jessee happily receives her AIMS Scholar certificate and key ring from Mrs. Miotke during academic awards day. Sheena transferred from St. Paul High School in the fall, and proved herself to be both academically and athletically gifted.

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Clubs and Community Went. . .

Back to Basics

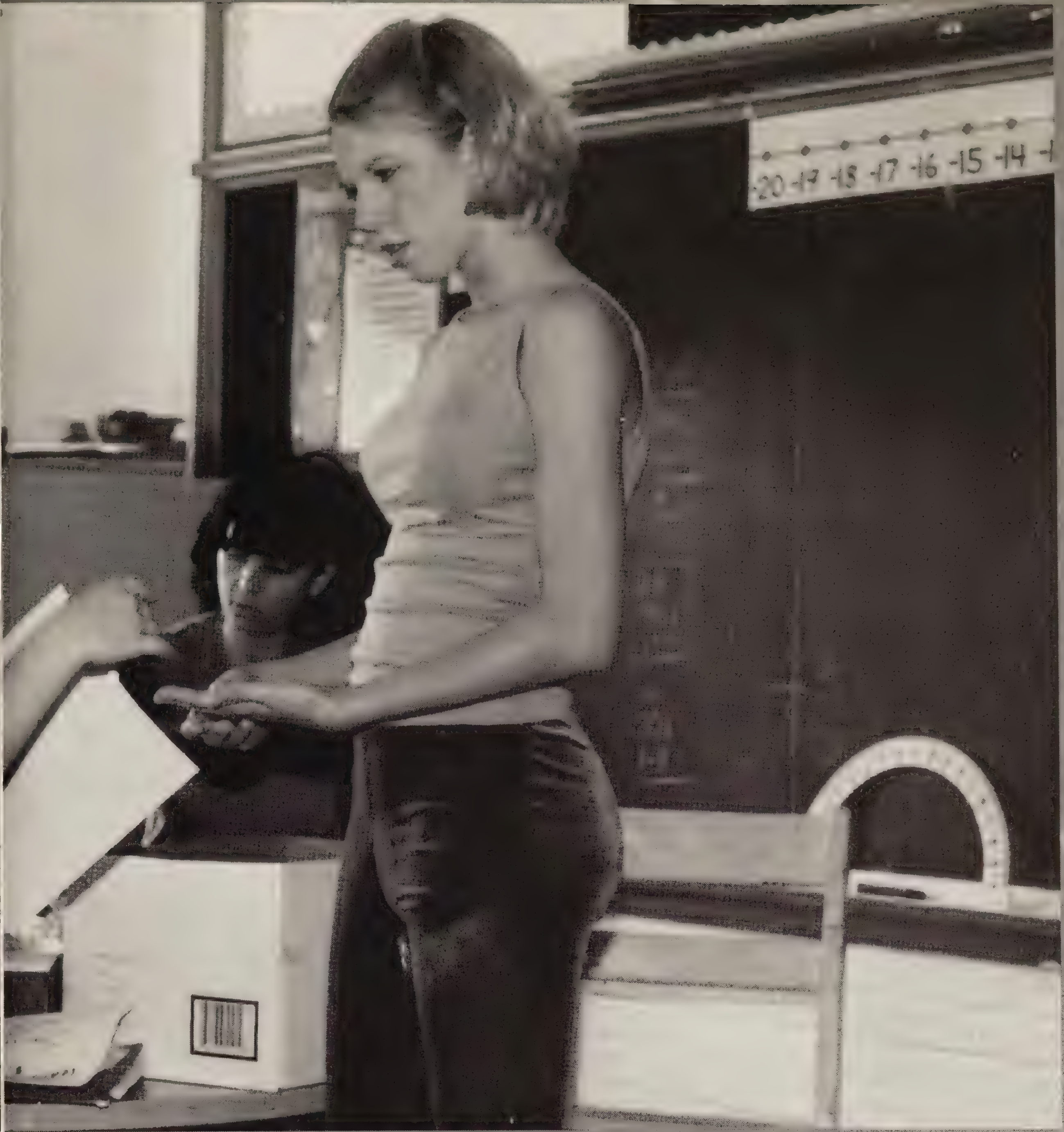
It did not take long to figure out that, without a supportive community, clubs and student life would not be possible.

Fundraising was on top of every club and group's list. Without money, little could be accomplished. Naturally, plans and committees could not be formed without first having **club meetings**. Thus, each month clubs met to take care of business. Certain holidays also generated exciting club events. **Halloween** brought along friendly club and class competition. As the Christmas holiday season rolled around, the giving spirit took over. Students decided to give back to the community through the **food drive, White Christmas, and Salvation Army Bell Ringing** projects. The **card drive** also generated donations as students contributed Christmas cards to troops overseas. In the midst of all this work, clubs still found time for **games**. All these exciting club activities would not have been possible without the help of **club officers**. These devoted individuals made things run smoothly. The **Youth Basketball League** was a gigantic success as usual. The Boys' Basketball Team continued to set examples for future athletes, while **Beta inductions** were once again nerve racking, but still a distinguished honor. The energetic and devoted students who worked with **SODA and PALs** guided elementary students and set positive examples.

Clubs, groups, and special organizations were all enjoyed by the student body; however, it was the community that made these all possible. Students realized they had to go **back to the basics** before they could step forward to the new.

►A few more in the bag . . . (Near Right) Senior Jarred Glass holds a plastic bag open as Senior Carmen Smith puts cans of food in the bag in Coach Poole's room. Clubs and classes alike rallied together to collect food items for the Bread Basket which then distributed the food to needy families in the community.

►I swear that's the truth . . . (Far Right) Junior Chase Porter amuses a group of students with a story at the elementary school. Chase, along with other members of the drama class, worked an entire six weeks on telling stories to the children as well as recording books on tape for the kids to enjoy.



▲**Here's your diploma . . .** Sophomore Whitney Phillips gives a fifth grade elementary student her certificate for successfully completing the Positive Attitudes of Learning program. Whitney, along with other members from the high school, worked once a week with younger students to help them develop good communication skills as well as positive thinking concepts.

◄**Price check on milk . . .** Senior Michael Sutherland scans a customer's groceries in check out lane number 2 at the Food City in St. Paul. The grocery store was newly built and provided new jobs for both community members and high school students looking for part time employment.

NOT ALWAYS FUNDRAISING

Clubs Worked Hard to Raise Money

Fundraising was done by many clubs in many different ways.

Getting people to buy and getting the order forms back in time created quite a challenge. As Senior Shane Lambert said, *"The most difficult aspect of fundraising was trying to get Coach Hayes to buy my sweatshirt."* Every member struggled to sell, sell, sell!

Different clubs sold different products. For instance, the business department sold ice cream to help raise money for their state competition trip; however, candy was the product that was sold the most because everyone needs a little snack.

Whatever the product, the sweet reward of fundraisers was more money.

Fossil Fact In the 1950-70s, the 4-H Club sold seeds to raise money.

▲**These are soooo cute!** . . . Amy Jessee looks at the beanie babies deciding which one she would like to buy. The animals were sold by the Ecology Club for $5 each as a service to the community to help raise money for the March of Dimes.

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▲**What do you think?** . . . Miss Proffitt discusses important issues during the S.A.V.E meeting in the old cafeteria as Freshman Megan Amburgey watches. S.A.V.E meetings were held during second club schedule which met on either Tuesdays or Thursdays of the last two weeks of the month.

FOLLOWING THE ROUTINE

Club Members Kept Traditions Alive

The door shut, the students took their seats, and the club sponsor began to speak. This was the typical start to any meeting. Students enjoyed these meetings as they got out of class and down to business on a variety of issues. The school schedule was altered monthly to create a time slot between 10:30 and 11:05 for clubs to meet.

There was never a dull moment in meetings. Whether it was serious business or just plain fun, the members of the clubs always had a blast. They managed to get some important things taken care of too. As Junior Chase Porter said, *"S.O.D.A. meetings are where all the brainwork is done."* Club meetings continued a tradition by following the routine.

Fossil Fact The HI-Y-TRI-HI-Y club conducted meetings in 1969.

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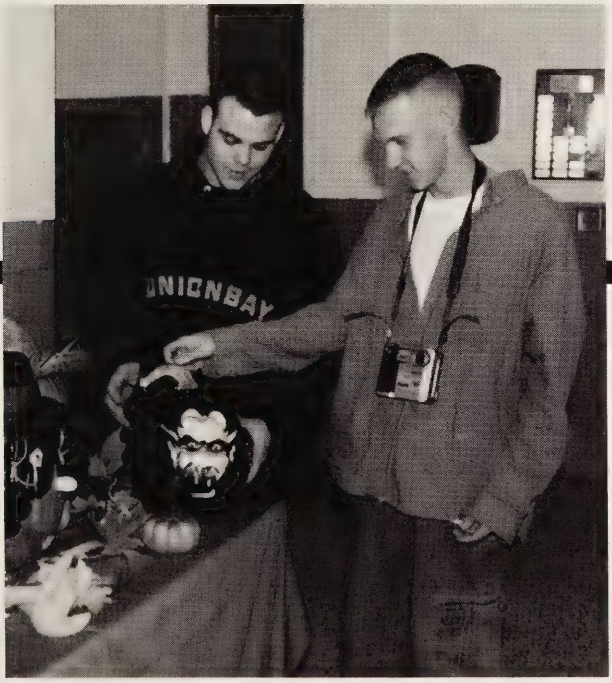

▲What is this thing? . . . Seniors Cameron Hall and Chad Fields investigate the pumpkin their first period art class decorated for Halloween. The art class won the carving contest sponsored by the FBLA and received doughnuts and juice for breakfast.

A CUT ABOVE THE REST

Club Members Participated in Halloween Activities

Halloween competition took a new shape thanks to the FBLA.

In the past years there had always been a costume contest; however, the FBLA decided they would like to get everyone in on the activities. They put their heads together and came up with the idea to hold a pumpkin carving contest. Each first period class received a pumpkin to carve. The catch was, they had to come up with their own design!

Classes had their own way of making their pumpkin the scariest one on the block. Senior Jessica Hogg stated, *"When they put the candle in the pumpkin, it reflected on the wall."* The pumpkins also reflected the amount of work put into them and the start of a new tradition.

Fossil Fact

Ronnie Milton participated in the Halloween Costume Contest in the 80's.

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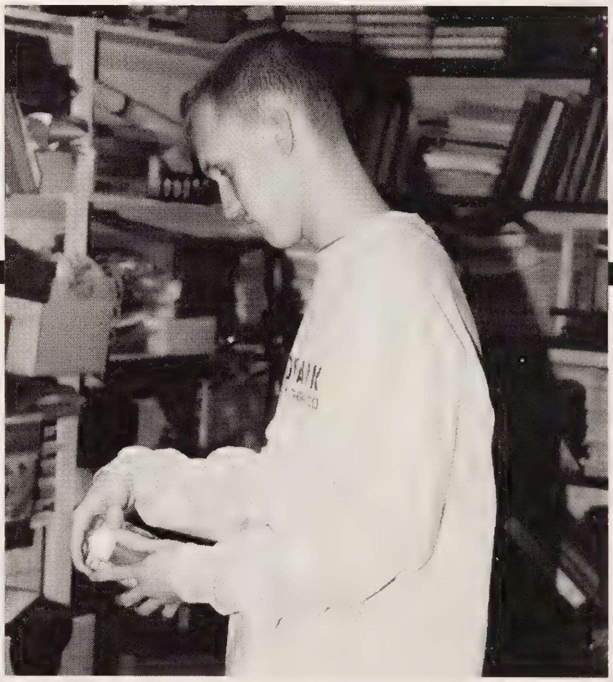
FBLA Collected Food for Community

The Christmas Food Drive was held by the FBLA members. Each contributed his or her time or brought in cans of food for the needy. Fixing all the cans and getting everything ready for delivery was some of the tasks that were performed by the members. As Senior Tanner Dotson said, *“There was a lot of work put into counting and sorting the cans of food. It was a lot of fun.”*

The clubs also had to get the food out to the community. They took the canned goods to the Roselawn Rest Home and individual houses.

Both students and faculty rallied together to participate in such a worthy cause and realized the true importance of giving back to their community.

Fossil Fact **This was the first Food Drive FBLA conducted.**



▲ What box do I put this can in? . . . Senior Chad Fields reads a label on a can of food, trying to find out the correct cardboard box. From the help of all the high school, especially Coach Poole's classes, the FBLA was able to collect over 1,800 cans.

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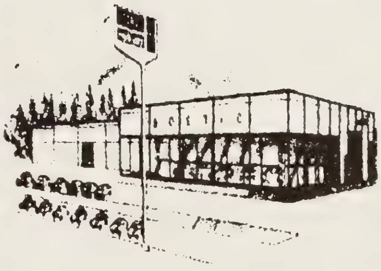

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DREAMING OF A WHITE CHRISTMAS

Students Volunteered During the Holidays

The Christmas tree was all lit up, people were singing carols, and students were taking time out to help the less fortunate. Clubs took time out of their hectic holiday schedules to help needy families in the community.

The SCA placed jars in homerooms and collected money from members of the student body to buy White Christmas presents.

They were able to collect over $1,000. Senior Amy Jones explained, *"I believe White Christmas is one of the most important programs we do each year. I am very proud to be a part of it."*

As children in need within the community dreamed of a White Christmas, the SCA was there to help contribute and fulfill some of their holiday wishes.

Fossil Fact **White Christmas began over 25 years ago.**

▲**Freestyle "wrapping"**. . . Juniors Mark Dye and Jes Stacy try out their wrapping skills in the old cafeteria. Students and teachers alike worked along with the Student Cooperative Association in buying and wrapping presents for needy White Christmas recipients.

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▲Silver bells . . . Juniors Danielle Sargent and Louise Gibson stand outside the doors of the local Food Lion grocery store in St. Paul and ring the bell for the Salvation Army. The ringing started two weeks before Christmas and continued through the Christmas weekend.

GIVING BACK

Clubs Members Participated in Salvation Army Bell Ringing

Ring, ring, ring! This was a common sound as members of various clubs helped spread holiday cheer. The Salvation Army was aided by members of the FBLA, Beta, and French Clubs. Members volunteered their spare time to ring the bell at the local Food Lion grocery store on Friday and Saturday evenings. Customer after customer donated their spare change to this worthy cause.

As Senior Ashley Vanover stated, *"Even though I sacrificed my weekend, it made me feel good knowing I helped out our community."*

Although the event took up two hours of the students' Friday or Saturday, they joyously gave their time to help out and "ring" in some holiday cheer as well as money for the needy.

Fossil Fact

FBLA started ringing the bell for the Salvation Army in 1996.

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▲Watching and waiting . . . Seniors Courtney Jessee and Chasity Chafin, along with members of the Army, stand beside each other posing for the camera at the Christmas Card dedication in the foyer of the new gym. Members of the SADD club worked together with the student body to gather Christmas cards for troops.

DRIVING THE EXTRA MILE

SADD Held Christmas Card Drive for Oversea Soldiers

Ho, ho, ho! Merry Christmas! Participants in the Christmas Card Drive felt like Santa Clause as they spread holiday cheer to troops overseas. With the help of members from six different clubs, the amount of cards that were sent to the troops was tremendous. This activity made the participants in this wonderful event feel good about themselves. As Sophomore Courtney King said, *"I thought it was a good cause to send cards to troops that couldn't be home for the holidays."* With the help of other clubs and the elementary school, the student body made the Christmas Card Drive a success as they sent nearly a 1,000 cards to troops abroad.

Fossil Fact

SADD was started by Mrs. Breeding in 1991.

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Students Found Games a Break

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Six different clubs each played different games, and everyone had a blast participating, especially the FBLA! This group of business minded individuals would find some activity or game that was related to an upcoming holiday to entertain themselves during meetings. The SADD Club would do the same. The members played charades with a Halloween theme at the October meeting.

As Eighth Grader Jonathan Salyers said, *"Club meetings are really fun because you always get to play games and goof around."* Club members realized that, while clubs offered the chance to become involved, they also provided game time.

Fossil Fact

In the 1960's, every student was a member of a club and there were no games allowed.

▲ King me! . . . Sophomore Sheena Austin and Junior Kelly King watch closely as Sophomore Jessica Chafin makes a strategic move in an intense game of checkers in Miss Proffitt's room. The Spanish Club, which generally met in the auditorium, was renowned for its fun games and food.

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Courney,
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I Love You,
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Amy Jones,
First I want you to know that I love you very much. You have been everything that a precious daughter could be. I know in my heart that you will continue to be a daughter of which I can be proud. There is no doubt in my mind that you can achieve everything you set out to do. Always remember, be the person you are, not what you think others want you to be. There is one thing for sure, I will always love you and be there for you *whenever* you need me. No matter how old you get, you're still that little girl I cared and loved from that hot day in July when I brought you into the world.
Love, Mom

Chasity,
Congratulations on a job well done! You have made us proud. Keep up the good work. Always keep God as your spiritual support, and we will be here for your moral support. And as the song goes, "I Hope You Dance" the rest of your life.

We Love You,
Dad, Mom, and Jessica

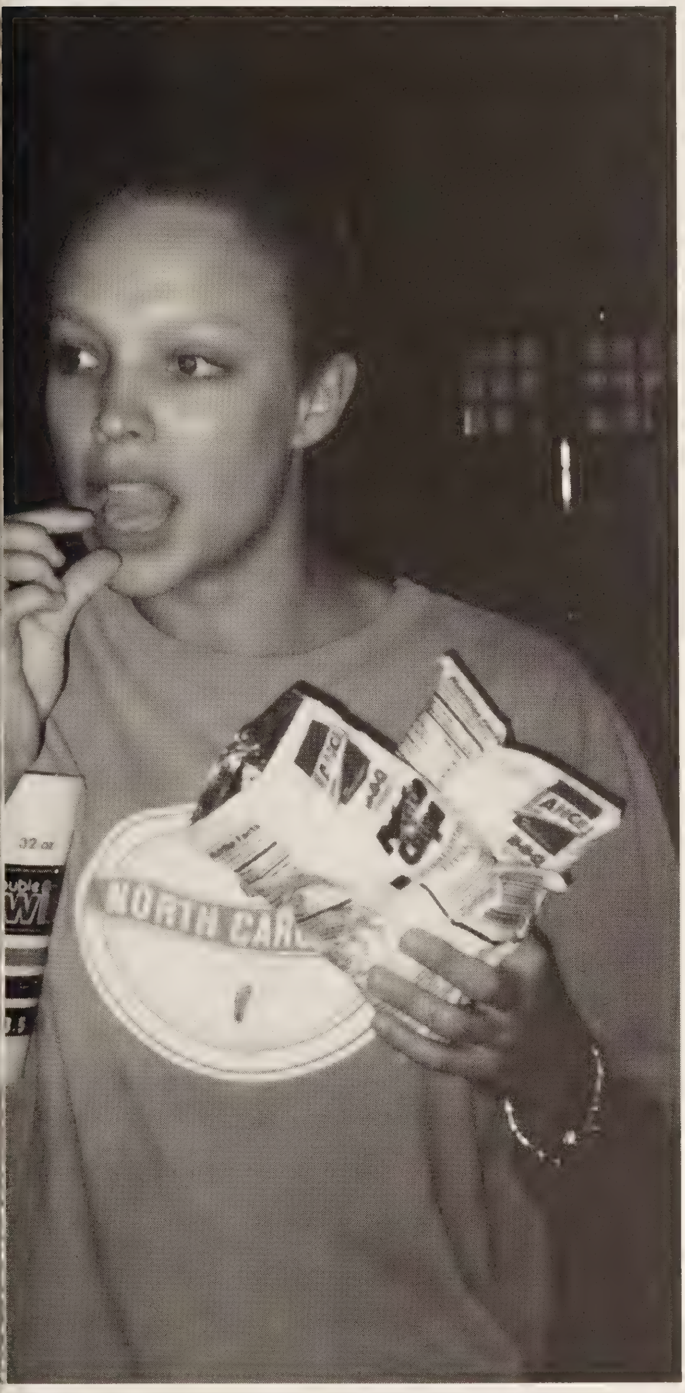
▲**Practice makes perfect** . . . Seniors Thomas Barton and Shane Kenyon receive a few directions from Senior sponsor Coach Poole during a Friday morning Baccalaureate practice in the auditorium. Thomas and Shane, who were both in Coach Poole's 5th period government class, had grown accustomed to taking orders and answering to Coach Poole.

Crystal Keith and Amy Jones

I have seen you grow into very beautiful, intelligent young women. I am very proud of you. It takes inner strength to stay on the right path of life, and I am so glad you find your inner strength in Jesus. You have a lot of changes and growing ahead of you. You are on the right path, continue in love and know I will always be there for you. With all my heart I love you girls. Remember Psalms 119: 105 and Proverbs 3: 5,6.

Aunt Pam

◄What's really out there? . . . Seniors Brandon Bush, Tanner Dotson, and Chad Hamblin gaze out the window beside Mrs. Hackney's room before graduation. Seniors found themselves faced with many decisions; however, they realized all they could do was take it one step at a time.



▲You look lovely this evening . . . Senior Jessica Hogg smiles a sigh of relief as she leaves the stage after modeling during the Friday evening Beauty Pageant. Seniors jumped at the opportunity to spend time with friends and to try new things. For the eight Senior girls in the beauty pageant, dancing and modeling were found to be both enjoyable and memorable.

◄ A little hungry are we? . . . Senior Greta Jessee munches out on some barbecue potato chips and a cold drink from the Kwik Shop as she enters the auditorium. Members of the Senior Class quickly learned that between government and English, spare time was almost non-existent; however, they always found time for a quick snack.

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LEADING THE WAY

Club Officers Had Many Responsibilities

▲**Looking over the agenda** . . . Senior French Club Officers Jessica Hogg, Ashley Vanover, and Carmen Smith discuss an upcoming meeting with French Club Sponsor Ms. Stevenson in Room 205. Officers had to find the time wherever they could to prepare for future meetings.

Being a club officer was not all fun and games. Not only did they have to take care of all the business at the meetings, they also had to take care of all the members. As Ecology Club Vice President Junior Louise Gibson said, *"The hardest part was maintaining order in the club meeting."* With 35 members this proved to be a challenge.

Beta Club President Senior Kim Salyers proved the point that, despite the pressure and hard work, things **could** be accomplished. She, along with other members, took on a Christmas Gift project for the Dickensonville Rest Home. They bought and wrapped gifts for elderly community members.

Officers led the way for their clubs' responsibilities.

Fossil Fact **In 1965-66, Mrs. Skeens was a BETA officer.**

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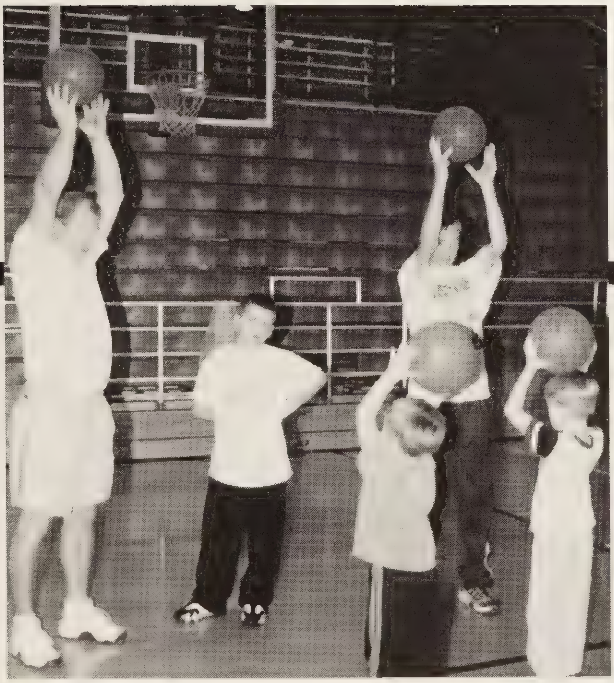

▲Keep your head up . . . Coach Poole assists Senior Travis Nash in a ball handling drill during the Youth Basketball League in the new gymnasium as Coach Poole's son, Adam, looks on. The Youth Basketball League was an organization that met each Saturday morning to help youngsters learn the sport of basketball.

REACHING FOR THE GOAL

Boys' Basketball Team Helped Future Stars

Swoosh!!! The basketball went through the net for two points and the pitter-patter of little Nikes and Reeboks echoed down the court as the Youth Basketball League kicked off again. This league gave almost 100 youngsters around the community the chance to learn skills from the Varsity and JV teams and then play against one another.

Members of the teams took time to help out these future stars. Freshman Daven Phillips voiced his opinion, *"Youth Basketball makes me feel great because I can help younger kids learn the skills I learned when I was their age."*

These devoted team members helped these future stars to reach their goals by setting examples.

Fossil Fact

From 1984 to 1990, the Youth Basketball League involved both girls and boys.

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Even though the process took about thirty minutes, it seemed like eternity for the inductees. A few of the inductees were able to remain calm, however. As Junior Chase King explained, *"Everyone was nervous during the Beta Club Induction, but I kept my cool because I'd been on stage before."*

Fossil Fact Ms. Gibson was inducted into the Beta Club in 1986.

▲**I do solemnly swear** . . . Juniors Jennifer White, Misty Turner, Chase Porter, Cole Osborne, and Traci Long repeat the Beta Club pledge at the induction. Beta Club President Senior Kim Salyers had the honor of leading the group in the pledge.

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SWEET AS SODA

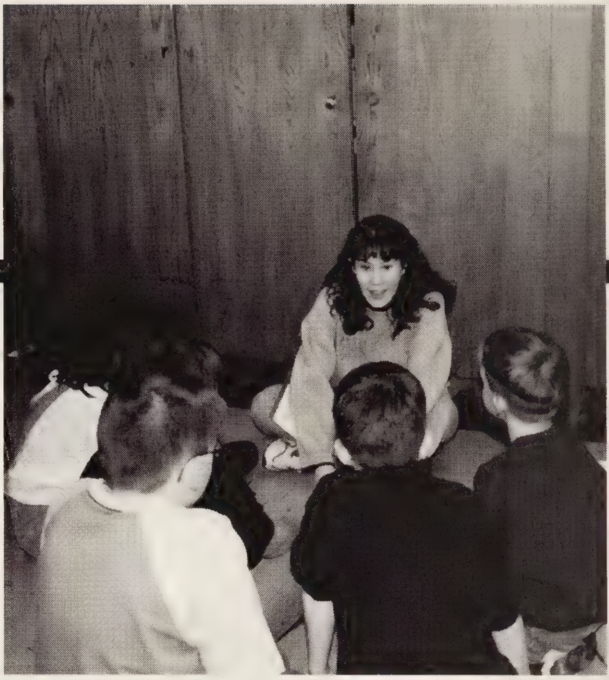
SODA Club Shared Favorite Memories

Looking back, the SODA and PALs members had a lot of great memories. Working with seventeen elementary students and three fourth grade classes made all thirty-one members feel on top of the world. These two groups helped kids follow directions and build self-esteem. As Junior Jessica Amburgey said, *"The most memorable thing was working with all the kids and making their day better."*

Of course none of the members could forget about the SODA and PALs graduation. Wild water balloon fights was one of the things that was most memorable about the ceremony.

Fossil Fact **The first SODA meeting was held in 1998.**

Having fun with the kids was a memory that none of the SODA and PALs members would soon forget.



▲Now listen up . . . SODA/PALs member Senior Lorena Kiser sits and talks to kids at the elementary school during one of the visits she made. Getting on their level and communicating with the kids were goals that the members tried to accomplish.

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SADD Workshop Proved to be Worth All the Planning

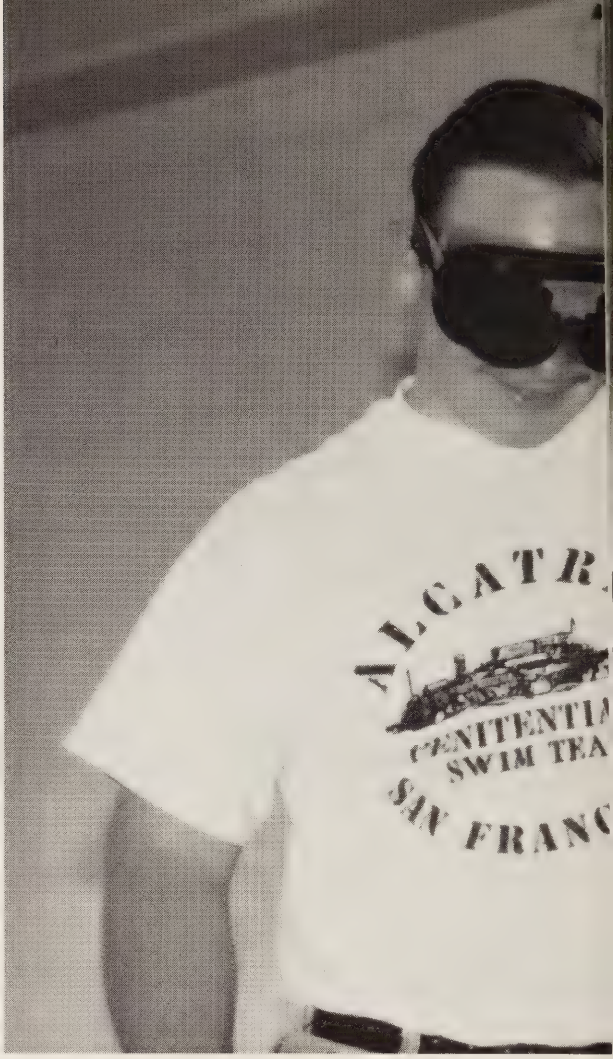
Every three years, the SADD Club hosted a Substance Abuse Prevention Workshop. This all-day event required an immense amount of time and devotion from both students and community members.

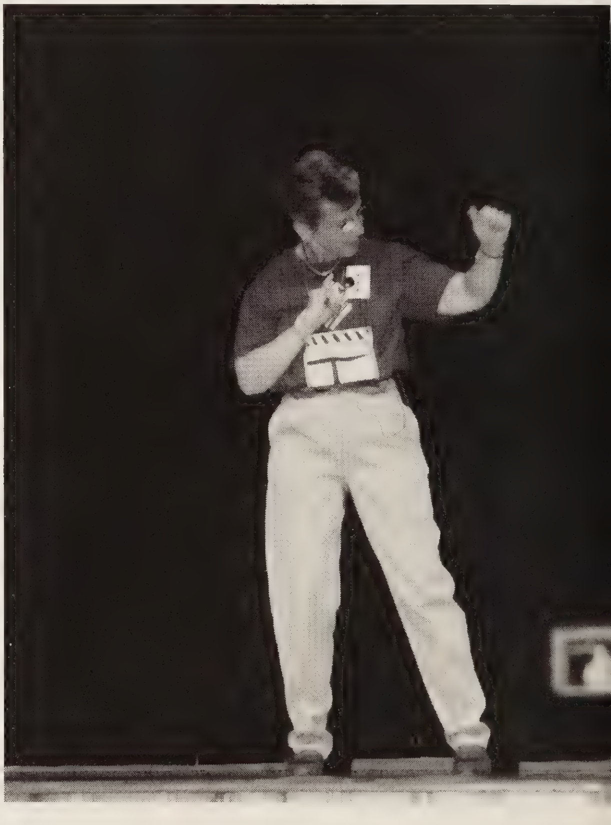
Preparation for the March event commenced in January. A committee consisting of SCA and SADD Club officers, sponsors, and select faculty members met weekly in the library to prepare for this exciting day. While it required committee members to manage their time, most realized that in order for the day to be a success, planning was key. Committee member Sophomore Alishia Cox added, *"I had a lot to do in a small amount of time, therefore I learned to manage my time responsibly!"*

Not only were committee members involved, but the students were involved as well. Homeroom classes submitted possible theme ideas for the workshop; and, based on their input, the theme "This Is Your Life, Not A Rehearsal" was chosen.

Fossil Fact **1994 was the first year the high school hosted the Drug Abuse Workshop.**

Despite the hard work, the end certainly justified the means. Senior Amy Jones summed up the work as she said, *"All the weeks of preparation helped to better prepare us for everything to go smoothly."*

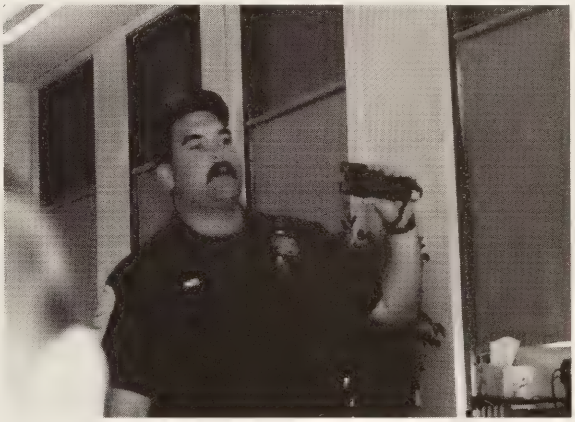


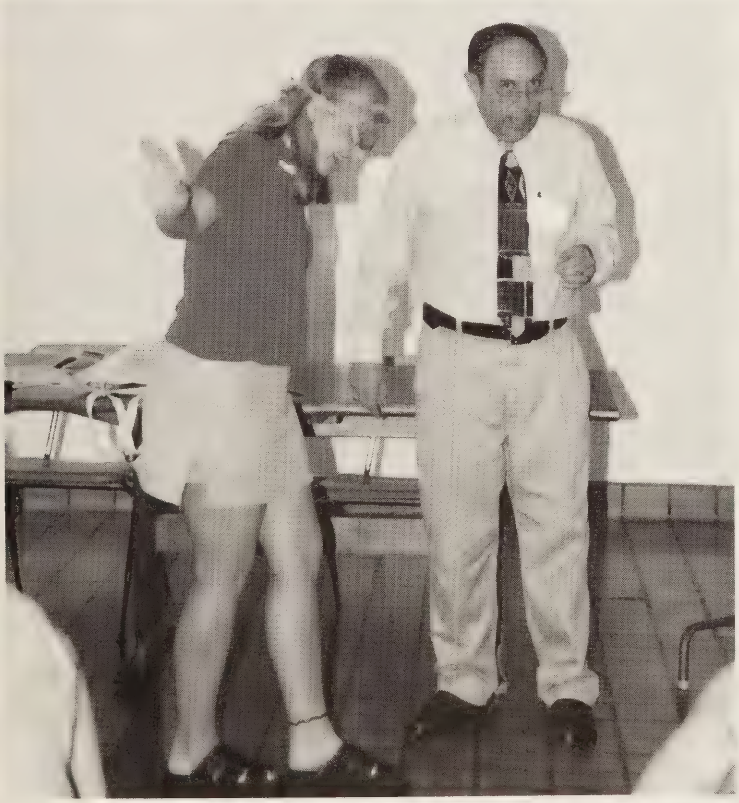


▲▶Making the right choices . . .(Above) Sophomore Heath Fields and Senior Amy Jones hold up one of the many posters that were hung up during the week of the SADD Workshop. (To the right) Keynote Speaker Sandy Queen signs to the words of "I Believe I Can Fly," by R. Kelly at the closing of her moving speech in the auditorium. The SADD Workshop consisted of a lot of planning for students, teachers, and speakers. All those involved had something to do to get ready for this outstanding program. Whether they were hanging up posters or preparing a speech, many people were involved in the preparations for this day.

◄Whoa, it's dark in here . . . Junior Anthony Beavers looks through marijuana glasses in the Mothers Against Drunk Driving session in the old cafeteria during the SADD Workshop as instructor Mr. Lewis explains the process. During this interesting workshop, students learned the effects of drinking while driving as well as being high while driving. After only a few minutes, a person wearing these goggles would display physical and mental processes similar to that of person who had been drinking and smoking marijuana. Students took turns doing the various field sobriety tests similar to those given by an officer who suspected an intoxicated driver. In this workshop students realized, by hands on demonstrations, the importance of being sober while operating a vehicle.

▼Shockwave . . . Officer Head, who was a speaker in the workshop entitled, "What's Prison Really Like," shows a group of students in the library a taser gun that he uses at Walden's Ridge Prison. In this workshop, students learned how prison actually was. They watched a video that toured the facility and showed the entrance of new inmates. It also showed the weapons that guards used to keep inmates in line at the prison.





◄I can't see the line! . . . Sophomore Sheena Austin tries to walk a line in the old cafeteria while wearing drinking simulation glasses. This was one of the various tests that students had to perform during this workshop which was conducted by Mr. Lewis. Others included trying to touch the top of a pencil and trying to stand on one foot for ten seconds. Many students found this difficult, and often impossible to do.

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MOVING BOULDERS

Yearbook Staff Overcame Obstacles

What group had the job of creating an awesome yearbook for the school? The yearbook staff, of course! This daring group of students hiked through the halls in pursuit of yearbook worthy material and information. This hike, however, often turned into a treacherous rock climbing experience.

On Mondays, the day when layouts and copy were assigned, a mad dash was made by journalism students to get quotes, find and or ask for pictures, track down a coach for a scoreboard, or a variety of many other never-ending jobs. By mid week, students felt as if an avalanche had suddenly fallen on top of them. As Senior Shonna Glovier put it, *"Journalism was a lot of work and caused a lot of headaches, but it was all worth it after seeing the yearbook come together."*

Obstacles were an everyday occurrence for students in this particular class. From trying to locate a particular "misplaced" picture, to pinpointing just exactly who had the one singular Print Master Platinum Program C.D., maneuvering around rocks in the road became more or less habit.

Most yearbook staff members found that producing a yearbook was not the only benefit of this hectic class. *"Despite a huge amount of chaos, journalism has helped me to become a better writer and to learn to deal with pressure,"* commented Junior Daniel Compton.

Fossil Fact

In 1968, there were 189 ads placed in the yearbook.

Throughout the year, devoted members of the yearbook staff learned that in order to create an awesome yearbook, they had to move boulders that sometimes fell in the way.

MEET THE STAFF

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Amy Puckett	First Year Journalism Student
Danielle Sargent	First Year Journalism Student

Dear Reader,
Well . . . all good things must come to an end, and it appears as if the end is here.
In case you were wondering: Taylor Publishing in Dallas, Texas published our 184 page 7 3/4" x 10 1/2" book which featured an original cover. Body Copy is 10 points TPC Fenice, and captions are 8 points. Various team and action pictures were supplied by Olan Mills by Lifetouch in Bristol, Tennessee.
I hope that you enjoy and appreciate this book as much as I do.
Sincerely,
Chasity L. Chafin,
Editor-in-Chief

Chas,
Well . . . I had to relinquish my power here at the end and you know better than anyone how difficult that was for me. But like I have told you before . . . I knew that this special edition was in good hands.
You took over like a pro and I, as well as anyone who is lucky enough to own this yearbook, owe you a debt of gratitude.
You have made me proud girl!
You know I'll always be here for you like you were for me.
May God bless you always.
Love,
Ms. G.

◄**Yearbook Staff . . . FIRST ROW:** Chasity Chafin, Shane Lambert, Justin Worley, and Travis Nash. **SECOND ROW:** Ashley Addington, Jessica Amburgey, Amy Puckett, Daniel Compton, Asten Buckles, Shonna Glovier, and Lorena Kiser. **THIRD ROW:** Mark Dye, Courtney Jessee, Louise Gibson, Amy Jones, Jessica Hogg, Jessica Cain, and Cole Osborne.

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At the End of a Year and a Century, Students Were Found

Stepping Forward, *Looking Back* & . . .

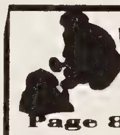
Lettin' Go!

As the year began to rapidly wind down, students found themselves in both a flurry of activities and emotions. They had survived yet another school year, and, along the way, carved out memories to last a lifetime.

If one randomly selected members of the student body and asked them what they would remember most about this milestone school year, without a doubt, each person would answer differently. From football games to award ceremonies, each student relished his or her own mile marking events. It became evident that even the smallest gesture from a newfound friend or a particular morning in the hall could etch a place in any student's heart.

As students began to wander into the Twenty-First Century, they found themselves looking back on where both they and the school had once been. If students learned nothing else in high school, they learned this sobering fact: things changed. Since the school year had so many facets, students often did not know if they were coming or going; however, in all this chaos laid the fact that no tomorrow could be like today.

Students and faculty members alike realized that they had to anxiously anticipate tomorrow, while at the same time reminiscently remember today. As times changed and memories were made, members of the student body had no choice but to step forward, look back, and LET GO!



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► **See you later guys . . .** Junior Ryan McDaniel gets a piggy back ride off the football field from fellow Junior Eric Ervin at the Evening Homecoming Pep Rally. Students quickly learned that all good things had to come to an end.

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LASTING IMPRESSIONS

A Dedicated Faculty Member Won't Be Forgotten

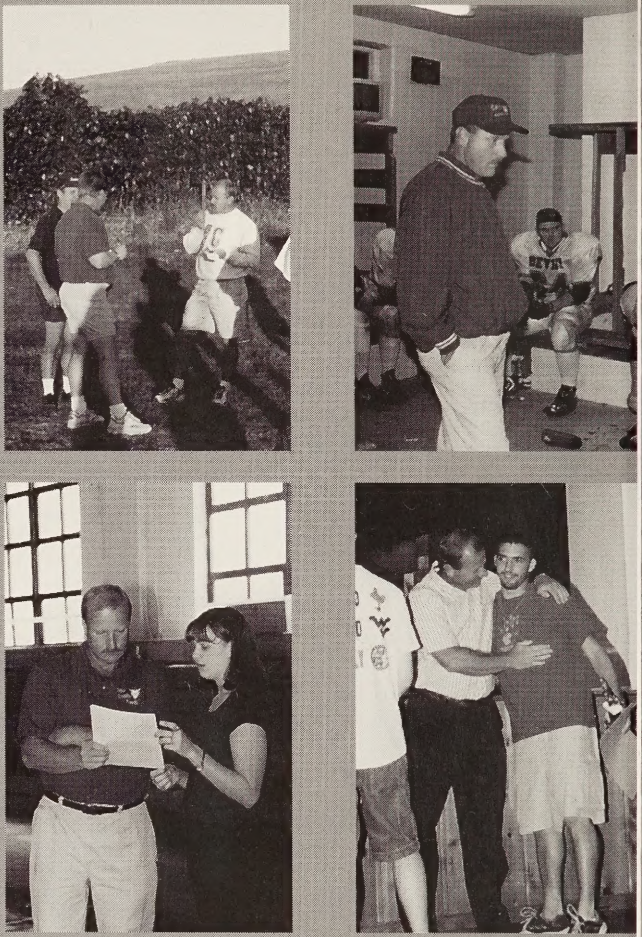
Some people come into our lives and go quickly, while others stay for awhile and leave footprints on our hearts, and we are never the same. This Senior Class motto not only applied to parting friends and classmates, but it also came into play as the school lost a dear friend and a valuable staff member and coach. After sixteen years, Coach Randy Poole made the difficult decision to leave CHS and join the teaching staff at Patrick Henry High School.

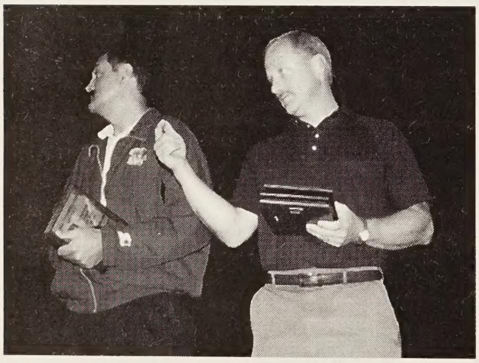
Coach Poole began his career in 1984. He was the Boys' Head Basketball Coach for sixteen years and the Girls' Varsity Basketball Coach for six years. He was named Coach of the Year nine times throughout his coaching career and over the years he compiled an overall combined record of 319 wins and 178 losses.

Coach Poole's awards speak for themselves; however, the true amount of impact he has made can be seen in the lives of his students and fellow community members. As fellow faculty member and friend Mike Roberson put it, *''Coach Poole is one of the most dedicated coaches I know. If it has to do with Castlewood High School, you can always count on him being there. He will be missed by the faculty, students, and community.''*

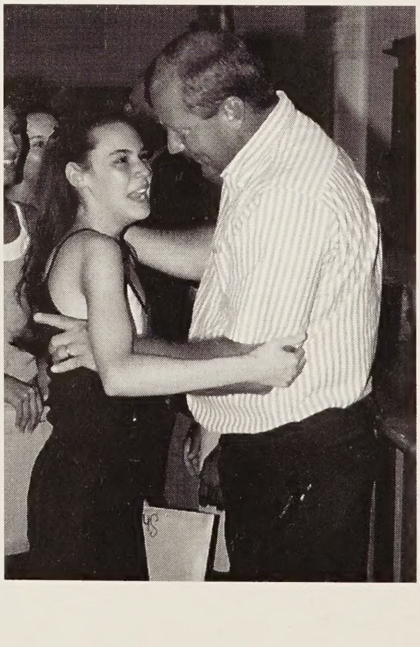
Coach Poole made it a point to always take care of ''his'' Senior Class. From the Senior Picnic to a flawless graduation, he encouraged Seniors to settle for nothing less than the very best. He continually set examples and was always there to offer personal insight to any question. Whether you knew Coach Poole for twenty years or one year, no doubt he left a remarkable impression on you and left a footprint on your heart. He might be gone, but he won't be forgotten.

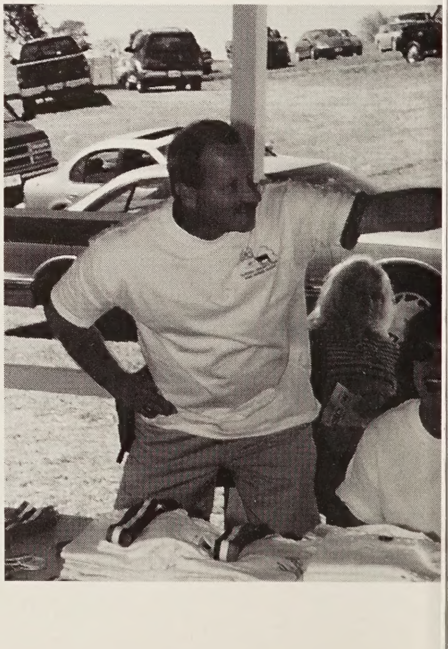
▼Hopelessly devoted . . . (Clockwise from top) Coach Poole enjoys pizza with Coach Shortt and Coach Taylor during the evening pep rally. Coach Poole concentrates during halftime of a football game in the fieldhouse. Junior Ray Mullins receives a hug from Coach Poole during Athletic Awards Day in the auditorium. Senior Kim Salyers confers with Coach Poole in the old gym about a Senior fundraiser.

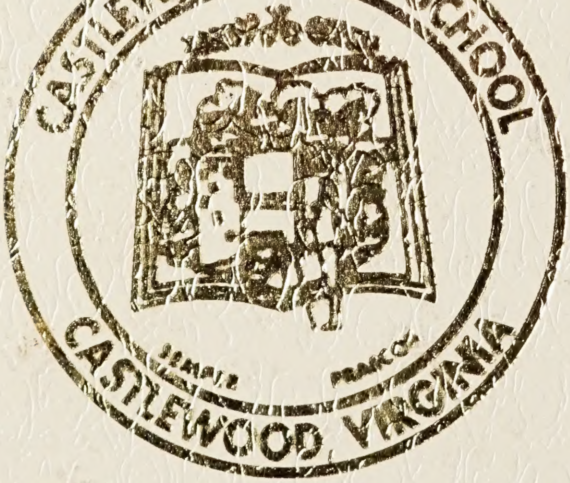




At his best . . . (Above) Coach Sabo and Coach Poole receive their Coach of the Year Awards on Athletic Awards Day on stage in the auditorium. (Right) Senior Shonna Glovier tearfully hugs Coach Poole during the *last* assembly on Athletic Awards Day. (Far Right) Coach Poole cuts up with friends under the pavilion during fair day events at the Fair.



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